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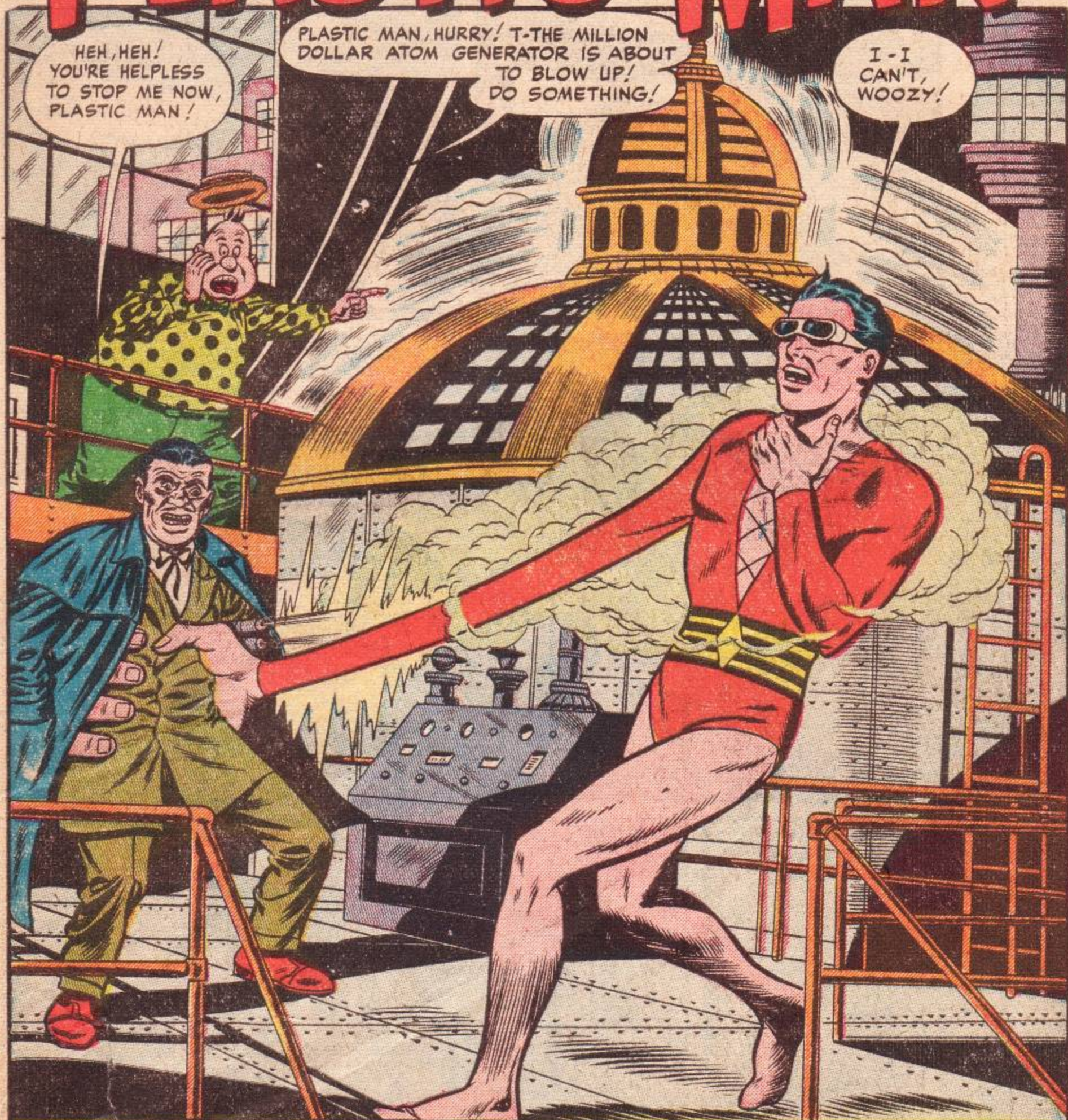
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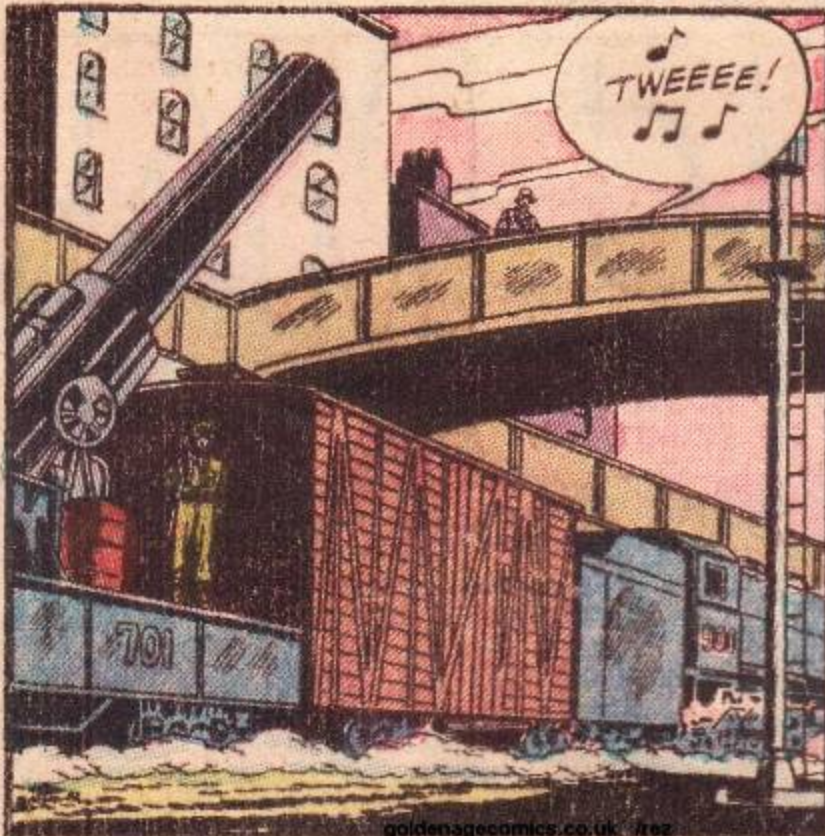


DEATH AND DISGRACE AWAITED PLASTIC MAN WHEN HE CONFRONTED THE TERRIBLE LITTLE MAN WHO COULDN'T BE CAPTURED! IN THE VITAL MAPLE RIDGE ATOMIC CITY HE DODGED HIS WAY PAST PANIC STRICKEN AUTHORITIES AND FLAUNTED HIS SABOTAGE IN THEIR FACES! ALARMED OFFICIALS KNEW FULL WELL THAT ONLY THE FAMED PLASTIC MAN HAD A CHANCE OF DEFEATING...

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PLASTIC MAN

ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE CITY A STRANGE LITTLE MAN STANDS INNOCENTLY ATOP A RAIL BRIDGE! THEN, AS A THUNDERING ARMY FREIGHT TRAIN APPROACHES...



SPLIT SECONDS LATER, THE FIGURE DIRECTS HIS FULL ATTENTION TO THE PASSING FREIGHT BELOW!

UP A FEW INCHES AND A LITTLE MORE TO THE LEFT! STEADY, STEADY...

SAY... WHAT'S THAT CHARACTER DOING UP THERE?



GREAT SCOTT! IT'S THE FIEND! STOP THE TRAIN, SOLDIER! THAT MAD SABOTEUR IS UP TO SOMETHING!



GO OVER THAT FREIGHT WITH A FINE TOOTH COMB! NOTHING IS SAFE WITH THE FIEND AROUND! I'LL TRY TO APPREHEND HIM!

YES, SIR!



ATOP THE BRIDGE THE NATION'S PUBLIC ENEMY NUMBER ONE SCURRIES FOR SAFETY!... F.B.I. AGENT COLLINS IN HOT PURSUIT!

I'LL NAB THE CRAZY FOOL THIS TIME... HE'LL HAVE TO PULL A MIRACLE TO GET OUT OF MY SIGHT AGAIN!



G-GONE! BUT HOW...? SIR... THE LITTLE CHARACTER WHO JUST PASSED YOU... WHICH WAY DID HE GO?

IN THAT BUILDING, YOUNG MAN!



THANKS... WHA...?

KABOOM!



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SHORTLY, AS THE SAD FACED GOVERNMENT MAN REPORTS TO HIS SUPERIOR!

THERE WAS NO MISTAKE ABOUT IT, CHIEF... IT WAS THE FIEND! HE MANAGED TO DESTROY THE A-CANNON WITH AN EXPLOSIVE CHARGE! THEN HE MADE A CLEAN ESCAPE!

CONFOUND IT! HOW DOES THE CHARACTER DIS-APPEAR LIKE THAT? ALL RIGHT, COLLINS! CHECK IN AND FILE A REPORT!

THAT IT IS THAT THE FAMED F.B.I. TEAM OF PLASTIC MAN AND WOODY CONFER WITH THEIR CHIEF THE FOLLOWING DAY!

IT AGAIN, PLASTIC MAN! THE FIEND IS THE MOST ELUSIVE CRIMINAL WE'VE EVER CONTENDED WITH... OUR NATIONAL SECURITY IS AT STAKE!

HE'S DONE

THERE MUST BE SOME WAY TO APPREHEND HIM, CHIEF!

AT PRESENT I'M MORE CONCERNED WITH DEFENDING OURSELVES AGAINST HIS SABOTAGE! CAN YOU REALIZE WHAT IT WOULD MEAN IF THE FIEND IN-FILTRATED INTO OUR ATOMIC PLANT AT MAPLE RIDGE?

YES... EVERY IMPORTANT ATOMIC SECRET WE HAVE IS LOCATED THERE!

EXACTLY! AND SINCE WE CONSIDER YOU AND WOODY OUR MOST ABLE MEN, I'M ASSIGNING YOU TO THE JOB OF SAFEGUARDING THAT PLANT! OF COURSE, YOU'LL ASSUME FALSE IDENTITIES TO AVOID SUSPICION!

WE'LL LEAVE IMMEDIATELY, CHIEF! AND DON'T WORRY... IF THE FIEND SHOWS HIS FACE AT MAPLE RIDGE WE'LL NAB HIM!

WE HAVEN'T FAILED YET, EH, PLAS?

THE VERY NEXT DAY PLASTIC MAN AND WOODY ARE ON THE JOB... IN DISGUISE!

WHEW! I'M NOT USED TO THIS JANITOR ROUTINE, PLAS! HOW'S ABOUT A FIVE MINUTE BREAK?

I COULD DO WITH A LITTLE REST AT THAT, WOODY! ROLL ME TO A WORK BENCH WHERE I CAN KEEP AN EYE ON THINGS!

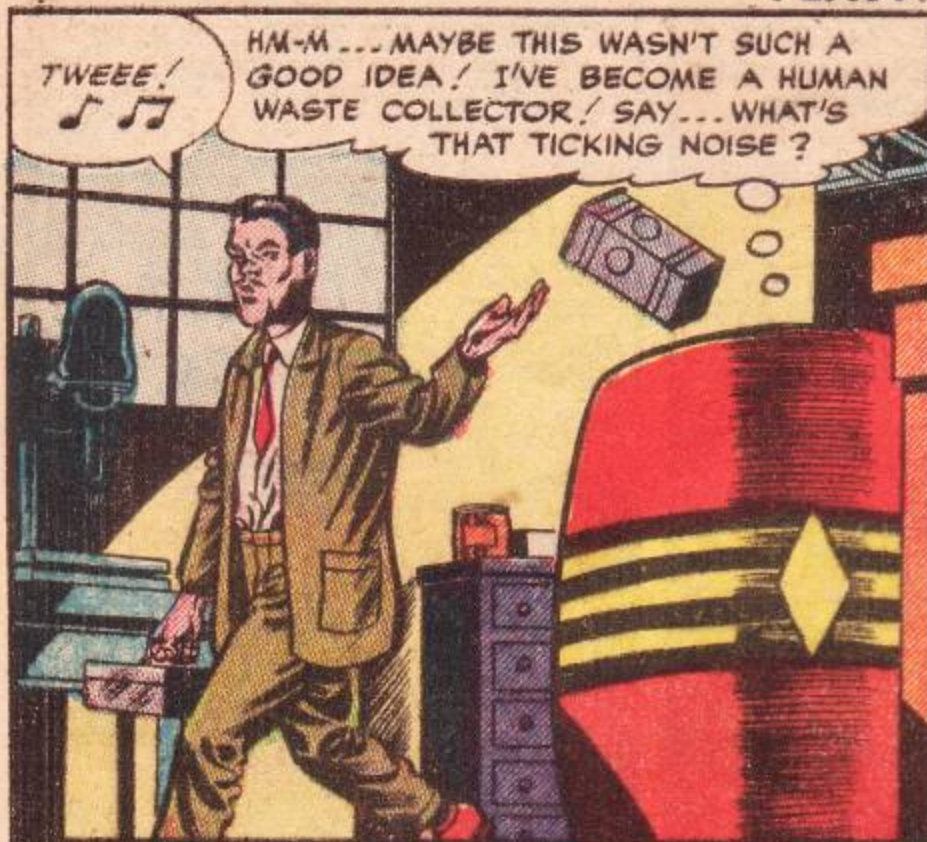
H-HEY, PLAS... WATCH IT! DO YOU WANT SOMEONE TO SPOT YOU?

I'VE GOT TO PEEK OUT ONCE IN AWHILE, WOODY! YOU CAN LEAVE NOW... BUT DON'T BE TOO LONG!

OKAY, PLAS!

KEEP ON THE ALERT, WOODY! NO TELLING WHEN THIS FIEND CHARACTER WILL STRIKE!

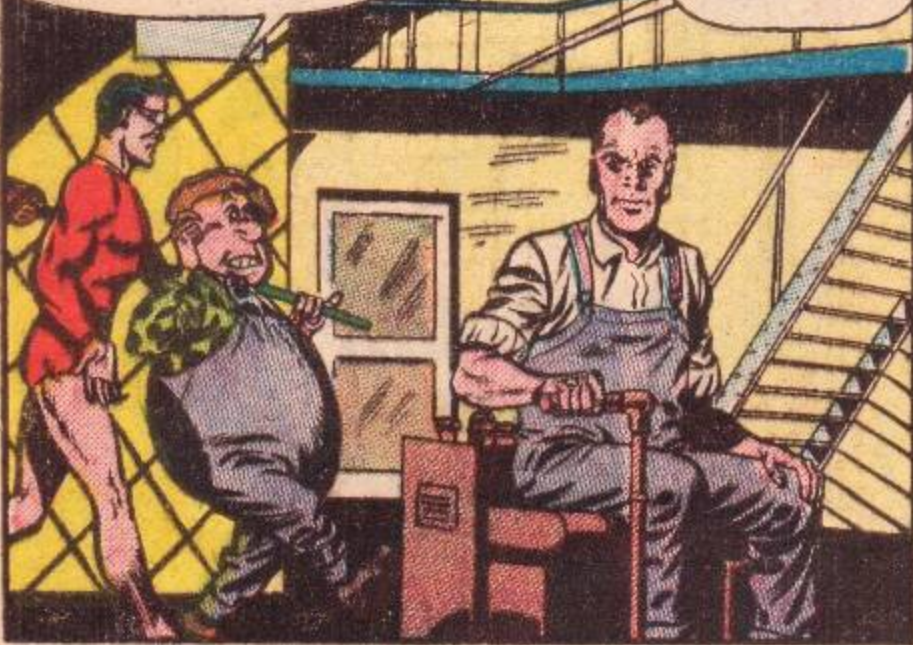
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I KNOW, WOOLZY! THIS LITTLE DISAPPEARANCE ACT WAS PRACTICALLY IMPOSSIBLE ... YET HE DID IT! COME ON ... WE'D BETTER NOTIFY THE CHIEF OF WHAT HAPPENED!

IT'S ... FANTASTIC!



LATER, AS WE FOLLOW JOHN C. SMYTHE, EMPLOYEE OF THE ATOMIC PLANT, HOME FOR THE DAY! BUT WHAT IS THIS ... A MANSION AND A SERVANT?

GOOD EVENING, SIR! I TRUST YOU HAD A SUCCESSFUL DAY!

HUMPH! IT WOULD HAVE BEEN IF PLASTIC MAN AND THAT FAT FRIEND OF HIS HADN'T BOTCHED THINGS UP! HELP ME OFF WITH MY GEAR, ANTHONY!



PLASTIC MAN! I UNDERSTAND HE'S THE CLEVEREST AGENT THE F.B.I. HAS, FIEND! WHAT DO YOU INTEND TO DO NOW?

DESTROY MAPLE RIDGE AS PLANNED, ANTHONY! I'VE LONG ANTICIPATED INTERFERENCE FROM HIM! LET'S GO INTO THE DISGUISE ROOM! I HAVE SOMETHING TO SHOW YOU!



MOMENTS LATER, IN THE FIEND'S FABULOUS "DISGUISE ROOM"...

YOU SEE, I HAVE INVENTED A SUPER DISGUISE FOR JUST SUCH AN EMERGENCY! NOW THAT THEY HAVE PLASTIC MAN ON MY TRAIL I DEEM IT TIME TO USE IT!

BUT ... WHAT COULD POSSIBLY STOP PLASTIC MAN?



THIS COAT, ANTHONY! HARMLESS APPEARING, ISN'T IT? YET, THIS IS MY GREATEST ACHIEVMENT!

I ... I DON'T UNDERSTAND, FIEND!



MY EXTRAORDINARY COAT CONTAINS ENOUGH GIMMICKS TO DEFEAT PLASTIC MAN OR ANYONE ELSE WHO STANDS IN MY WAY!

PERHAPS ... BUT THEY WILL BE SEARCHING FOR YOU AT MAPLE RIDGE NOW! HOW CAN YOU POSSIBLY ELUDE DETECTION?



AH ... BUT YOU FORGET, ANTHONY! WITH THIS MAN'S STOLEN IDENTITY I CAN PASS BEFORE PLASTIC MAN'S VERY EYES WITHOUT FEAR! REMEMBER, HE IS LOOKING FOR THE FIEND ... NOT JOHN C. SMYTHE, WORKER!

TRUE! TRUE! YOU ARE A GENIUS, SIR!

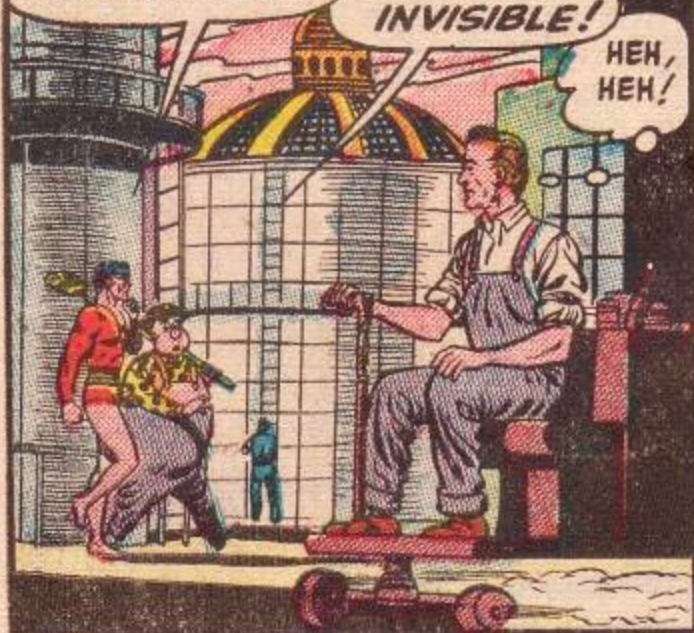


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GOSH, WE'VE GONE THROUGH THE PLANT FROM ONE END TO THE OTHER! I CAN'T UNDERSTAND HOW THE FIEND CAN HIDE OUT UNDER THE VERY EYES OF SECURITY GUARDS IN MAPLE RIDGE!

G-GOLLY! IT'S ALMOST AS IF HE CAN MAKE HIMSELF **INVISIBLE!**

HEH, HEH!



A MOMENT LATER, AS PLASTIC MAN AND WOOLZY CONTINUE THEIR FRUITLESS SEARCH!

THAT'S IT, MY ELASTIC FRIEND... JUST KEEP OUT OF THE WAY WHILE I CONTINUE MY WORK!



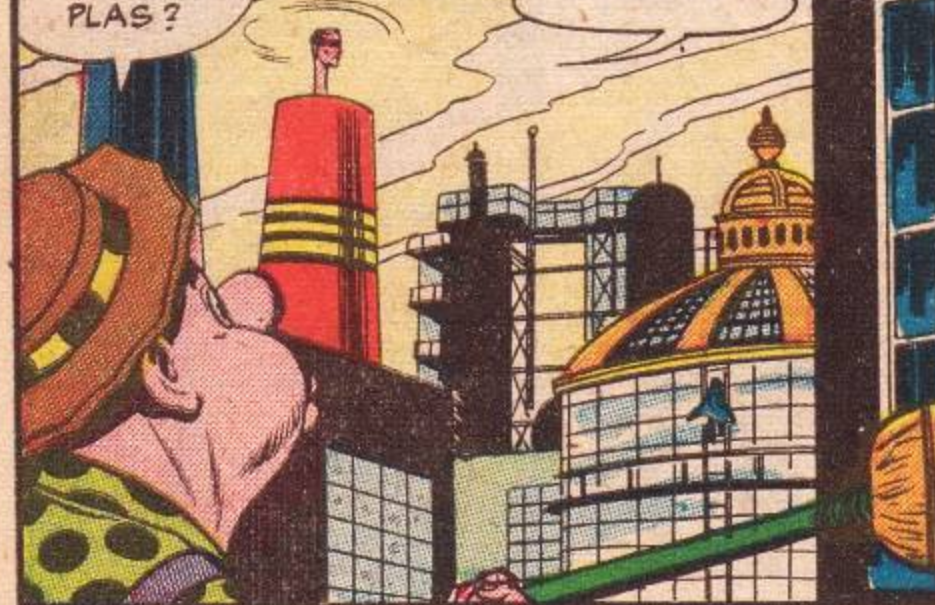
Then... AND NOW, FIVE POUNDS OF MY **ELECTRIFIED EMERY POWDER** WILL PUT AN END TO THAT MILLION DOLLAR ATOMIC GENERATOR IN A FLASH!



BUT THE FIEND IS UNAWARE THAT PLASTIC MAN HAS TAKEN SPECIAL STEPS TO KEEP THE ENTIRE AREA UNDER SURVEILLANCE!

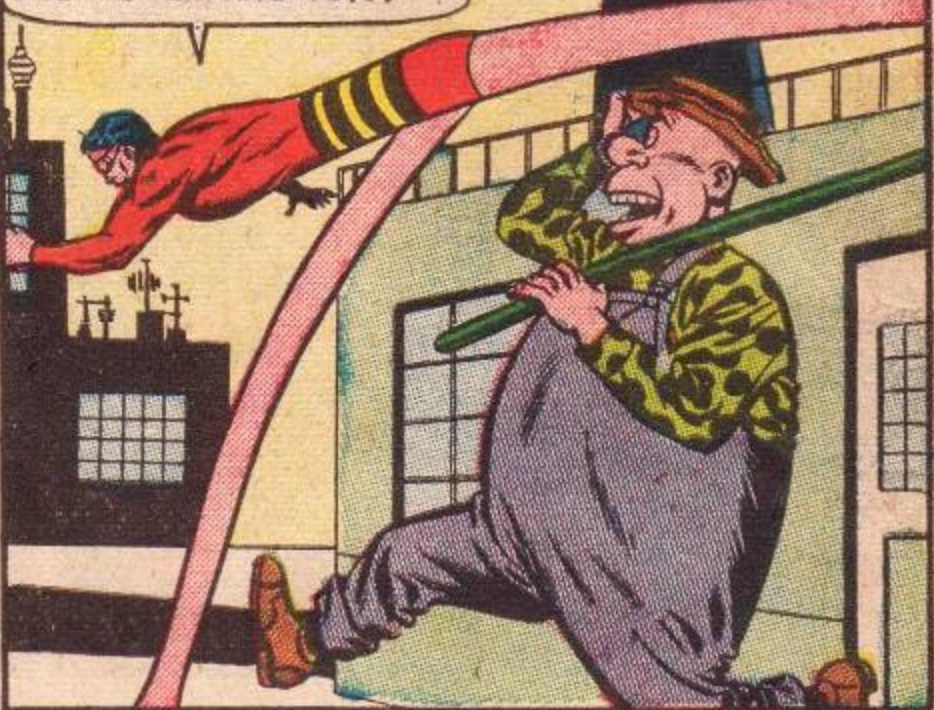
ANYTHING SUSPICIOUS, PLAS?

NOT A THING AS YET, WOOLZY... **WAIT A MINUTE!**



IT'S THE FIEND! HE'S UP TO SOMETHING ATOP THAT PRICELESS ATOMIC GENERATOR!

WOW!



AND THAT'S THAT! WHEN MY POWDER HITS THE VITAL PARTS... **YIPE!** THAT BOUNCING BABOON HAS SPOTTED ME!

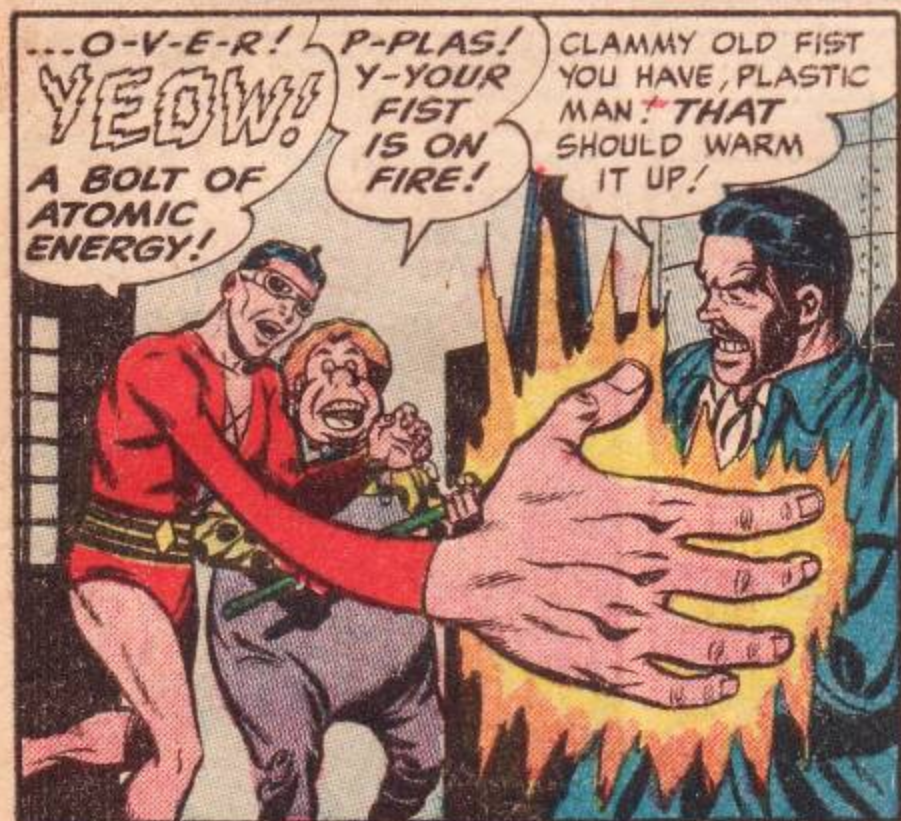
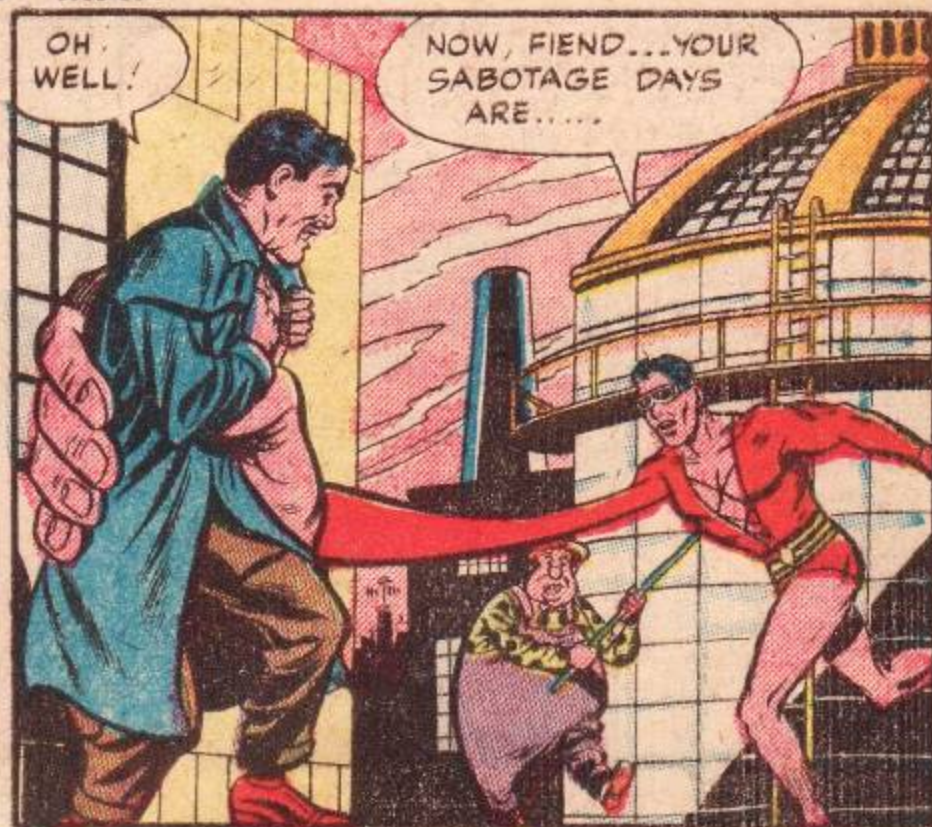


HAVE TO HURRY... HIS AMAZING ABILITY MAKES HIM TEN TIMES MORE DANGEROUS THAN ORDINARY LAW ENFORCERS!

THERE HE GOES... LIKE A GREASED JACKRABBIT!



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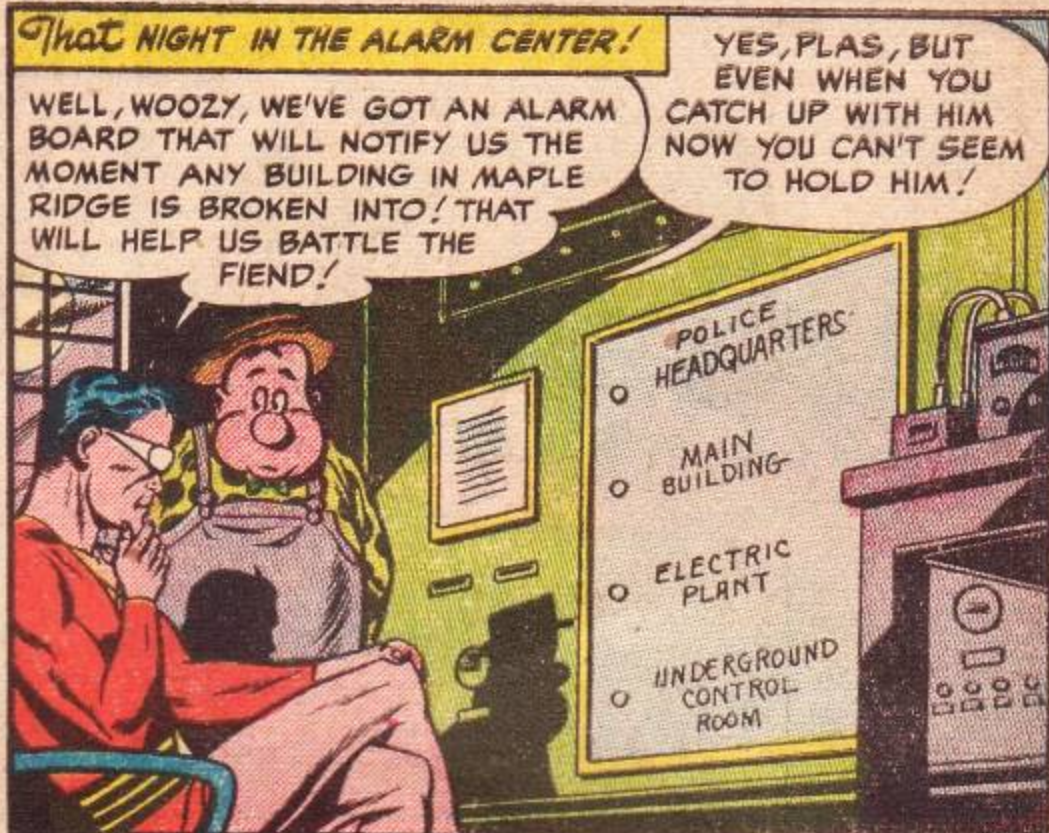
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AFTER MIDNIGHT
MAPLE RIDGE WILL
BE WITHOUT ITS
GREAT ELECTRICAL
PLANT THAT RUNS
THE ATOM CITY!

DON'T
SEE A
THING,
PLAS!

ALL RIGHT,
WOOZY! WE'LL
GO INTO OUR
ALARM HEAD-
QUARTERS AND
WAIT!



That NIGHT IN THE ALARM CENTER!

WELL, WOOZY, WE'VE GOT AN ALARM
BOARD THAT WILL NOTIFY US THE
MOMENT ANY BUILDING IN MAPLE
RIDGE IS BROKEN INTO! THAT
WILL HELP US BATTLE THE
FIEND!

YES, PLAS, BUT
EVEN WHEN YOU
CATCH UP WITH HIM
NOW YOU CAN'T SEEM
TO HOLD HIM!



YES, WOOZY... HE EVIDENTLY HAD A
TRICK SUIT ON THAT SHOCKED ME!
I'LL BE PREPARED WHEN WE MEET
AGAIN! THE IMPORTANT
THING IS TO
DISCOVER JUST
WHO THE
FIEND IS!

GOSH,
THE GUY'S LIKE
A GHOST!

The HOURS PASS QUIETLY FOR THE
TWO GUARDIANS OF JUSTICE!
SUDDENLY AT MIDNIGHT...

THE ALARM!
SOMEBODY'S
MONKEYING
AROUND THE
**ELECTRICAL
PLANT!**

THAT PLANT'S FOR
FOUR MILES OFF!
AND I KNOW A
WAY TO GET ME
THERE IN SPLIT
SECONDS! WOOZY--
YOU'RE GOING TO
PUSH ME INTO THE
PNEUMATIC TUBE THAT
CONNECTS WITH ALL
BUILDINGS!

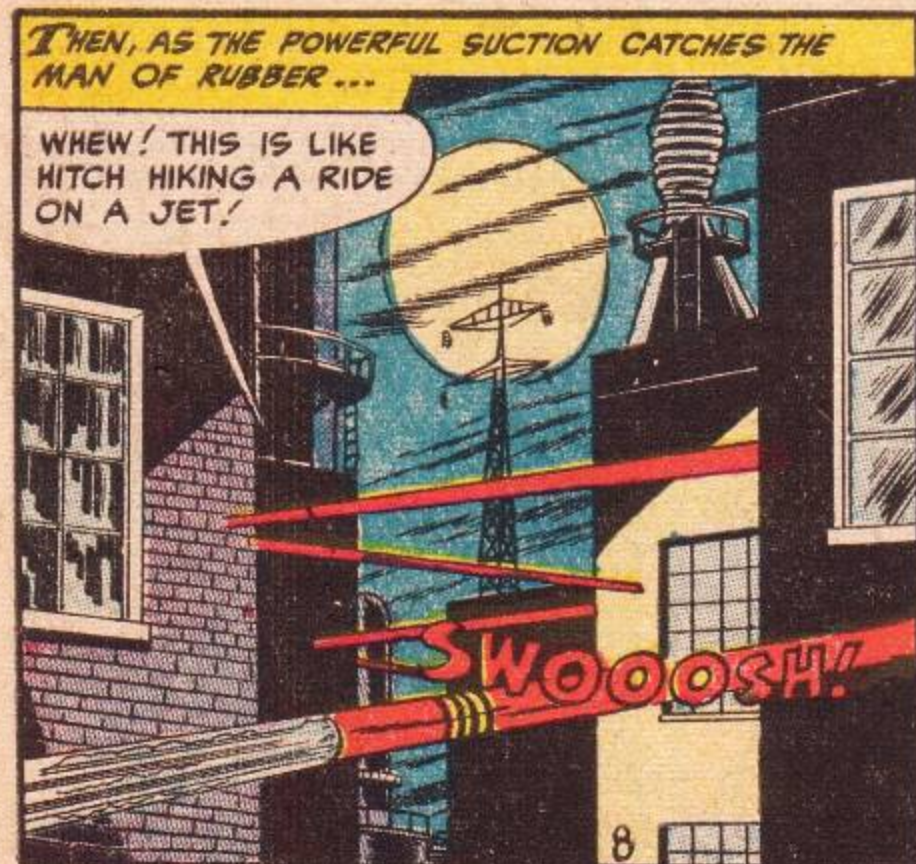


ABRUPTLY, PLASTIC MAN'S CHUBBY
COMPANION ASSISTS HIM AS...



PRESS THE BUTTON
MARKED **ELECTRI-
CAL PLANT**
AND SHOVE
HARD,
WOOZY!

R-RIGHT,
PLAS!
P-PLEASE
BE CAREFUL!



THEN, AS THE POWERFUL SUCTION CATCHES THE
MAN OF RUBBER...

WHEW! THIS IS LIKE
HITCH HIKING A RIDE
ON A JET!



And SCANT SECONDS LATER...

YIPE! PLASTIC
MAN... S-SO
SOON!

THAT'S RIGHT,
FIEND...

PLASTIC MAN



... BUT THIS TIME YOUR ATOMIC SHOCK GIMMICK WON'T WORK! I HAVE LEAD LINED GLOVES!

WHA-AT?



NOW WE'LL GET TO THE BOTTOM OF YOUR ASTONISHING ABILITY TO AVOID DETECTION WHEN YOU AREN'T COMMITTING SABOTAGE!

TOO BAD, STRETCH ... BUT I DON'T FEEL LIKE TELLING YOU WHO I AM JUST YET!



HEH, HEH! YOU COULDN'T CATCH ME IF YOU PUT EVERY MAPLE RIDGE EMPLOYEE UNDER A MICROSCOPE!

G-GAS!

CHOKE!

CHOKE!

GASP! GASP!



DESPERATELY THE FEDERAL AGENT ATTEMPTS TO STAGGER AFTER THE ESCAPING FIEND!

HEE, HEE! CATCH ME IF YOU CAN, RUBBER HEAD!

G-CAN'T LET HIM ESCAPE AGAIN! G-GOT TO CATCH HIM...



Then...

WEAK... CAN'T CHASE HIM! WHAT DID HE SAY.. I COULDN'T FIND HIM NO MATTER HOW I SEARCHED! WAIT... T-THAT INFRA-RED POWDER GIVES ME AN IDEA!

HA, HA! 'BYE, PLASTIC MAN!



ABRUPTLY, PLASTIC MAN SUMMONS HIS LAST OUNCE OF STRENGTH AND...

I... HOPE IT WORKS!

HO, HO, HO! HA, HA, HA! YOU THREW IT TOO FAR!



SHORTLY, WHEN WOOLY ARRIVES...

G-GOLLY! I-I THOUGHT SURE YOU WERE DEAD OR SOMETHING, PLAS!

HAD A POWERFUL GAS IN THOSE SECRET CONTAINERS UNDER HIS COAT... BUT I'M GLAD IT HAPPENED! HURRY, WOOLY... GET ME BACK TO THE ROOF TOP!

JUST WEAK, WOOLY! HE SURE

PLASTIC MAN

LATER... I...I DON'T GET IT, PLAS! WHY ARE WE WATCHING ALL THE EMPLOYEES GETTING OUT OF WORK ON THE NIGHT SHIFT? HECK! WE DON'T HAVE ANY IDEA WHAT THE FIEND LOOKS LIKE!

I KNOW, WOODY... BUT I'M EXPECTING WE SOON **WILL!**

SUDDENLY, AS PLASTIC MAN TRAINS HIS MYSTERIOUS SEARCHLIGHT, THAT CASTS NO BEAM, DOWN UPON THE EMPLOYEES...

PLAS! L-LOOK... FOOT PRINTS... GLOWING IN THE DARK!

RIGHT, WOODY! AND THEY BELONG TO... **THE FIEND!** LET'S GO!

P-PLAS! W-WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO ME?

GO GET HIM, WOODY! KNOCK THAT FIEND FOR A ROW OF BEANS!

OOMP!

TAKE THAT, YOU HEEL!

HOW DO YOU LIKE THAT FOR SABOTAGE, FIEND! ONLY THIS TIME **WE'RE** SABOTAGING A SABOTEUR!

WELL, FIEND, THIS IS THE END OF YOUR SABOTEURING OPERATIONS! WE'RE BUNDLING YOU OFF TO FACE SECURITY OFFICIALS!

B-BUT HOW DID YOU CATCH ON?

SHORTLY, AS PLASTIC MAN TURNS THE FIEND OVER TO SECURITY OFFICERS!

GOOD GRIEF! YOU MEAN, PLASTIC MAN, THAT YOU THREW INFRA RED POWDER IN FRONT OF THE FIEND TO CAPTURE HIM!

RIGHT! WHEN THE POWDER LANDED IN FRONT OF HIM AND BURST OUT OF THE BOX HE WALKED THROUGH IT!

YOU SEE, BY BRAGGING THAT I COULD NEVER FIND HIM AMONG THE EMPLOYEES HE TIPPED ME OFF TO THE FACT THAT HE MIGHT BE **WORKING** HERE! THUS, WHEN I TURNED AN INFRA RED BEAM ON ALL FOOTPRINTS OF EMPLOYEES LEAVING HE WAS REVEALED AS THE GUILTY ONE BECAUSE THE BEAM PICKED UP THE INFRA RED POWDER!

SURE! WE WERE JUST TOO SMART FOR HIM!

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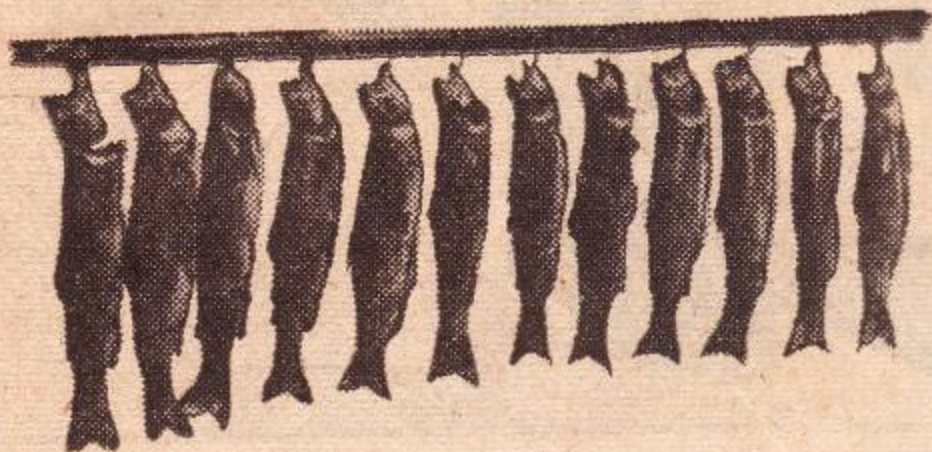
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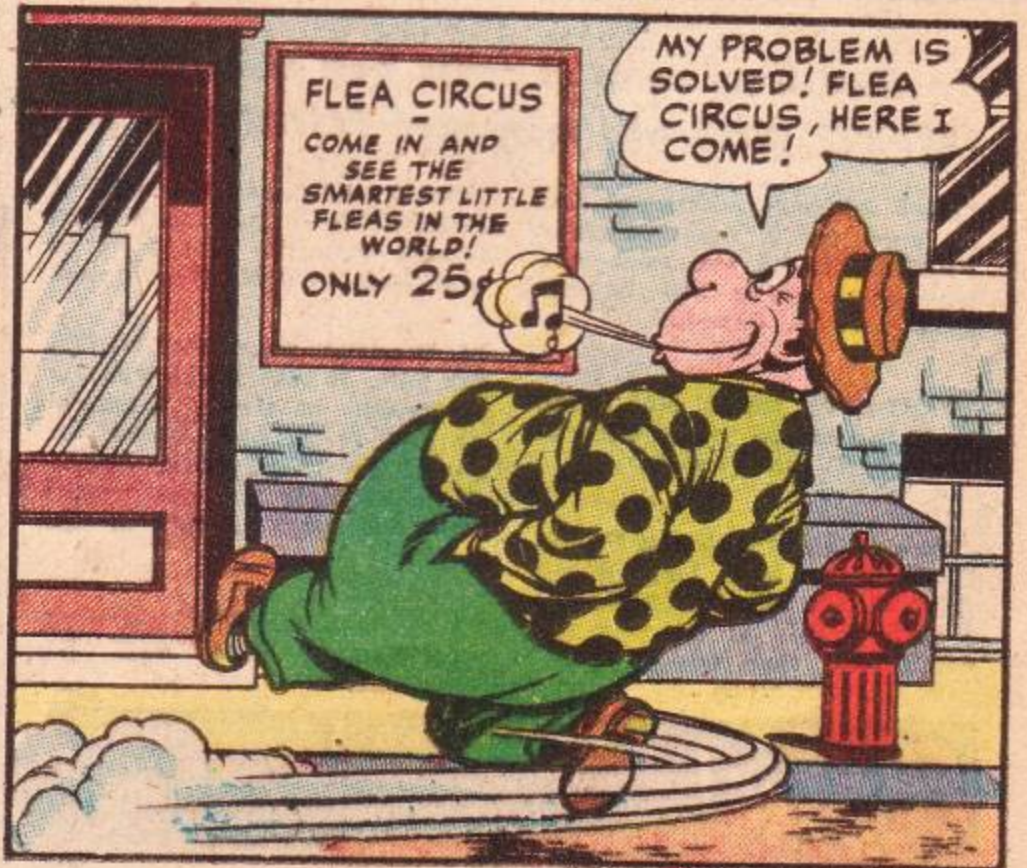
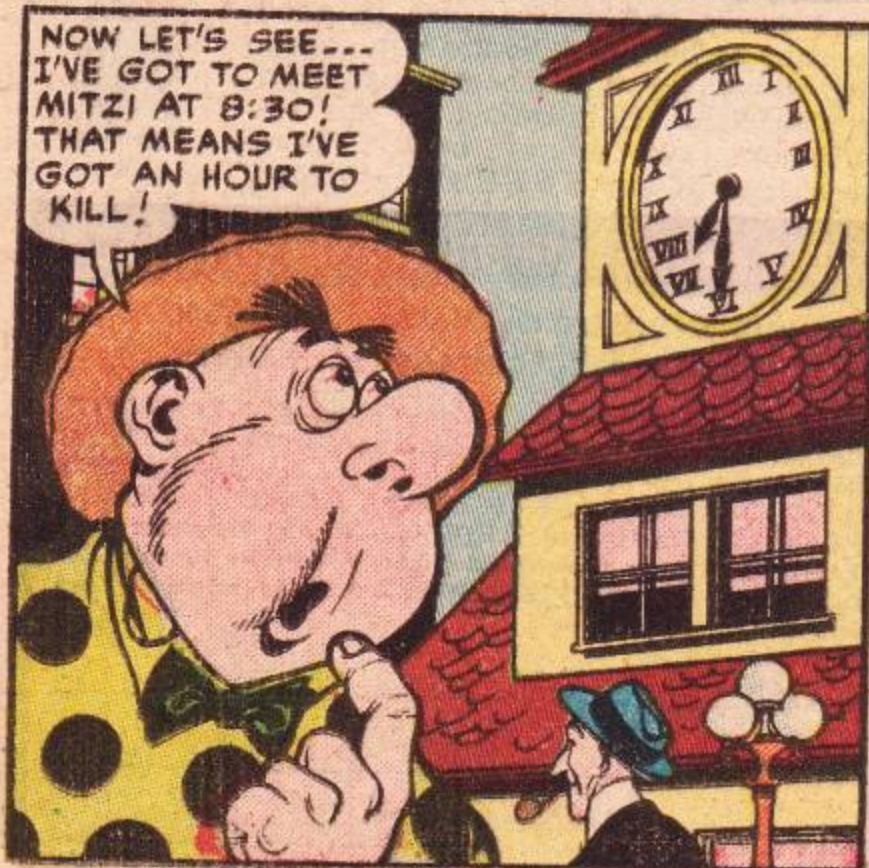
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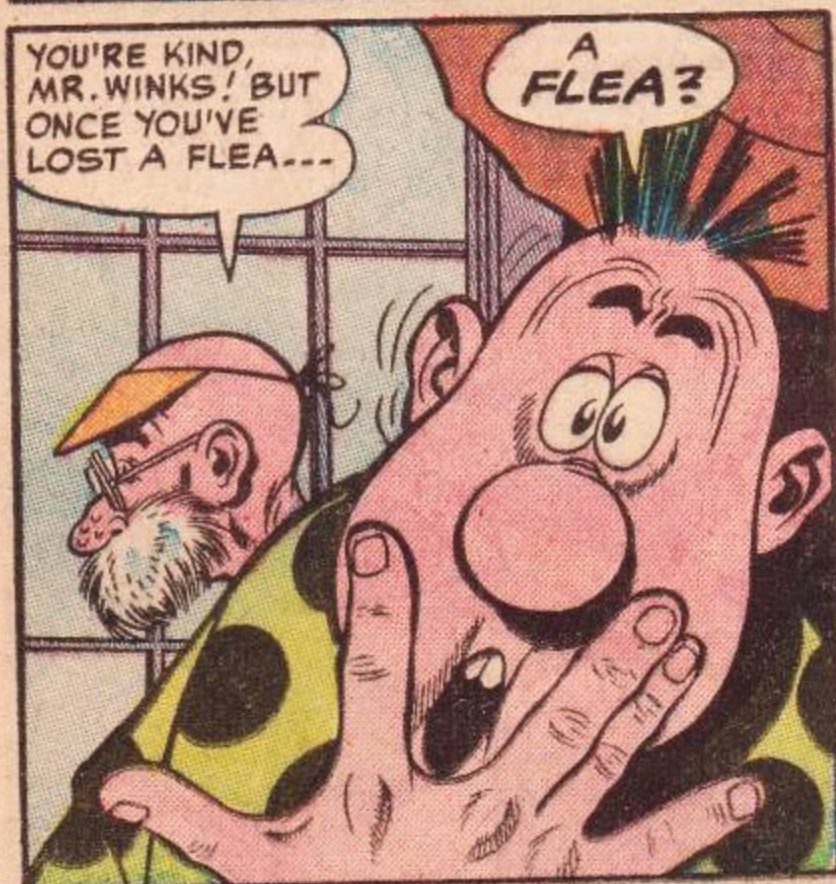
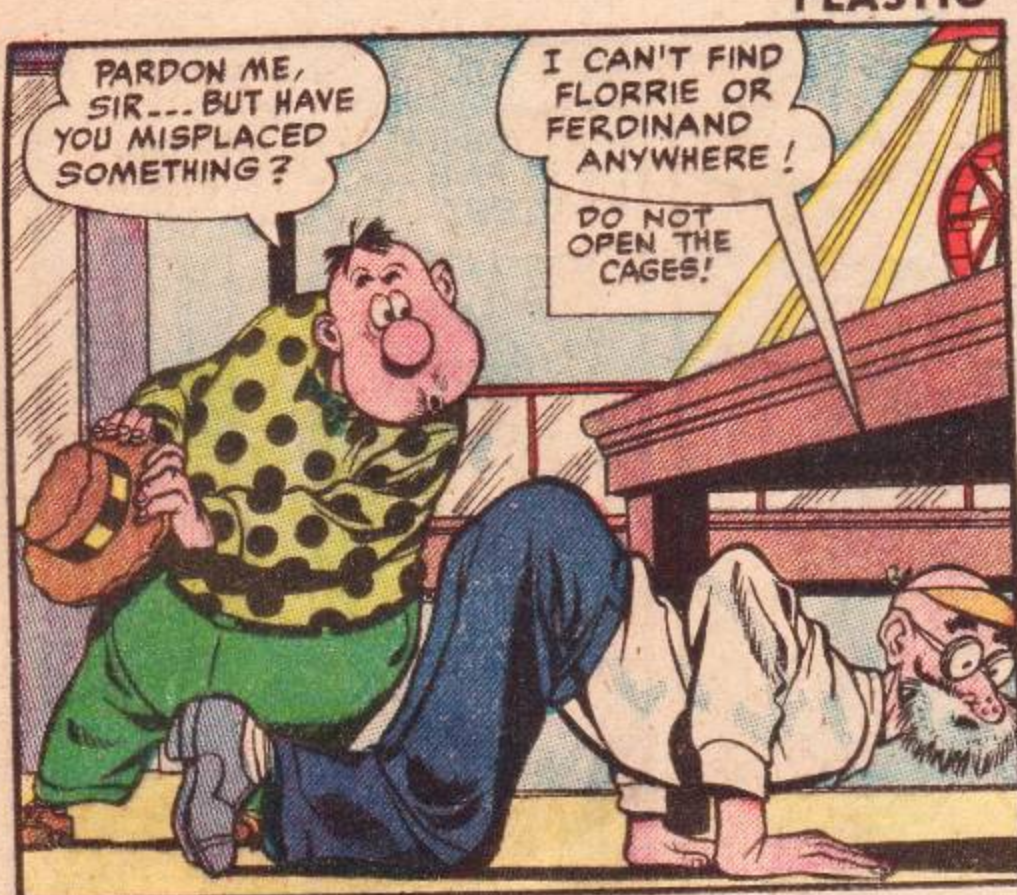
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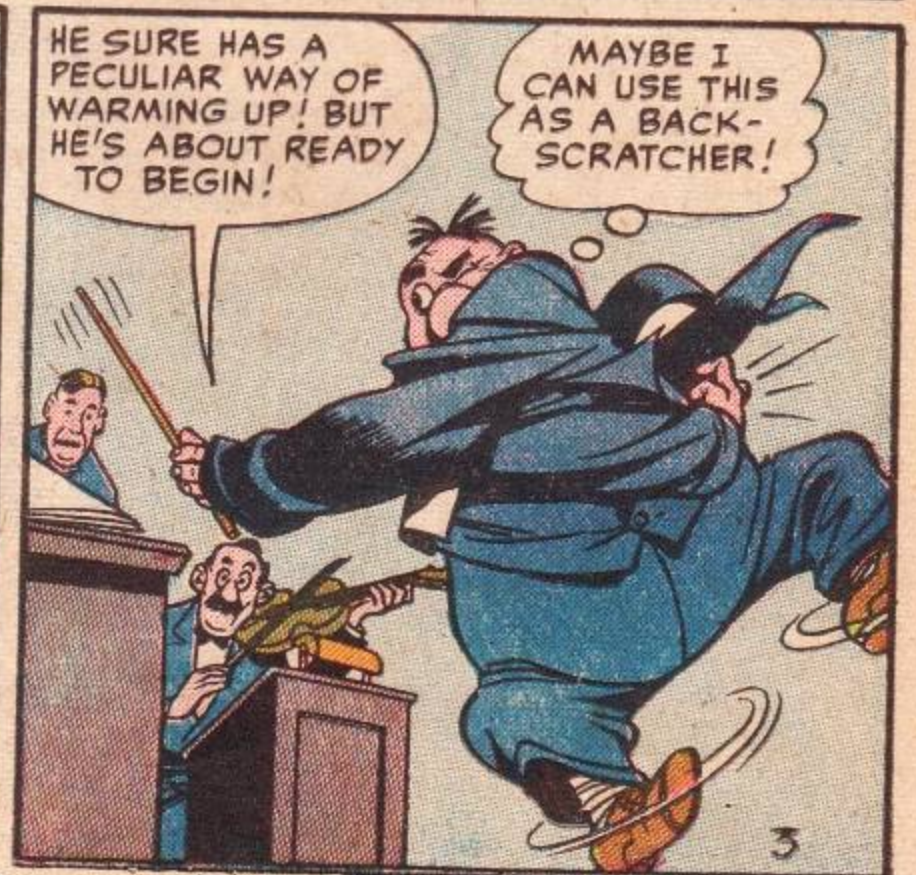
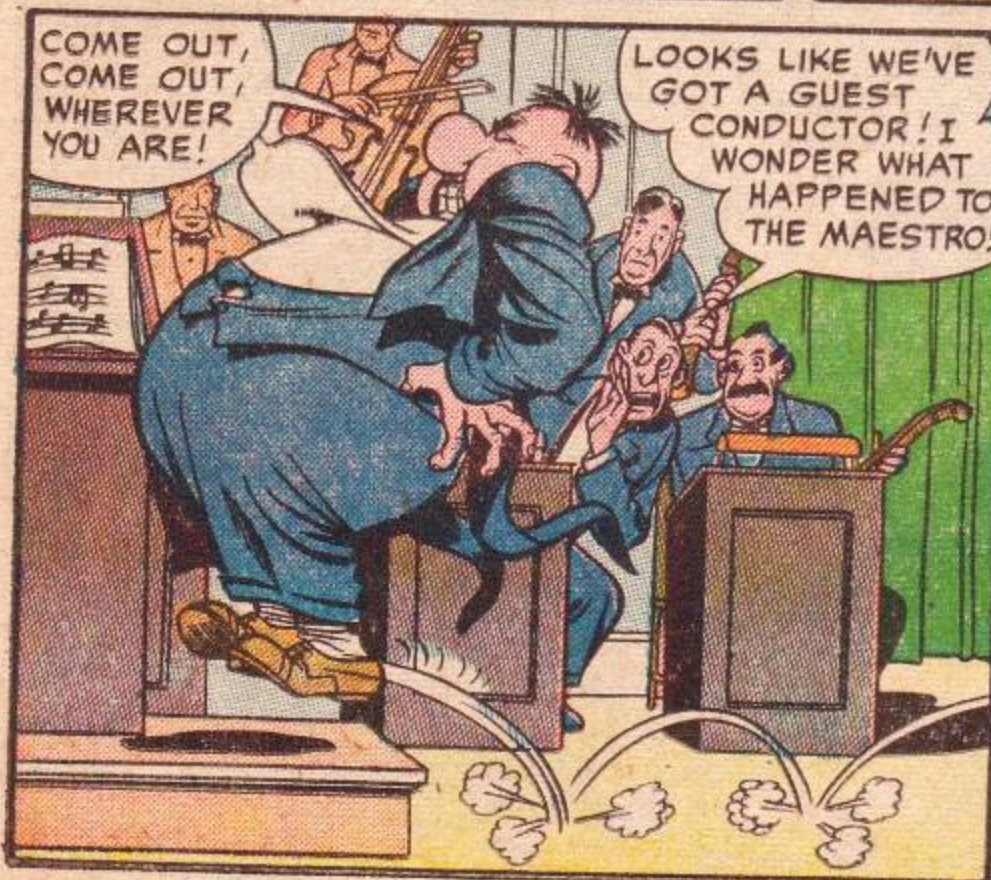
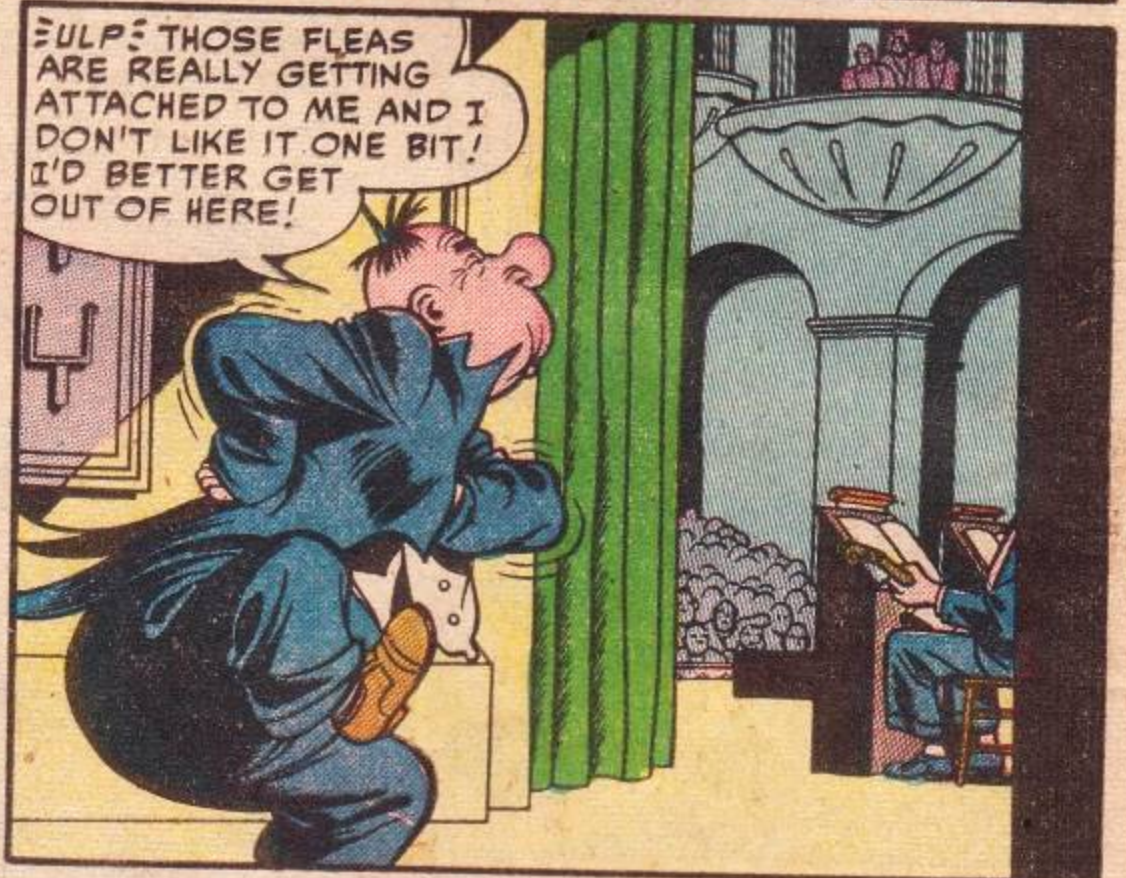
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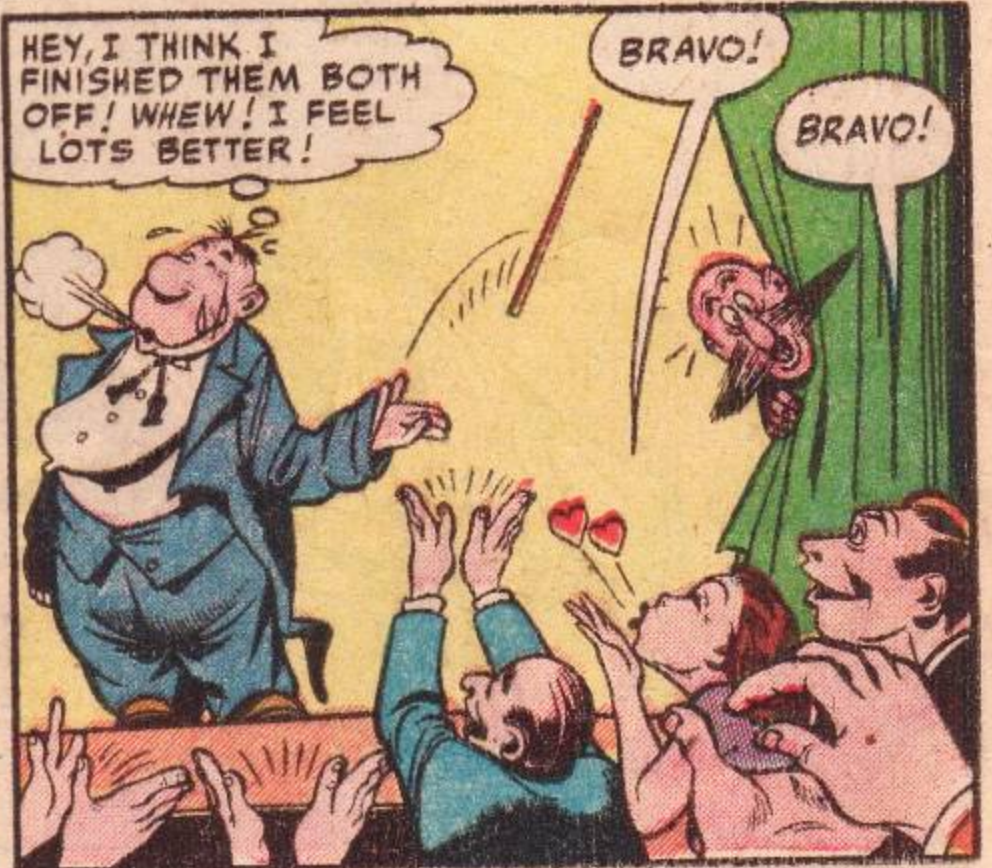
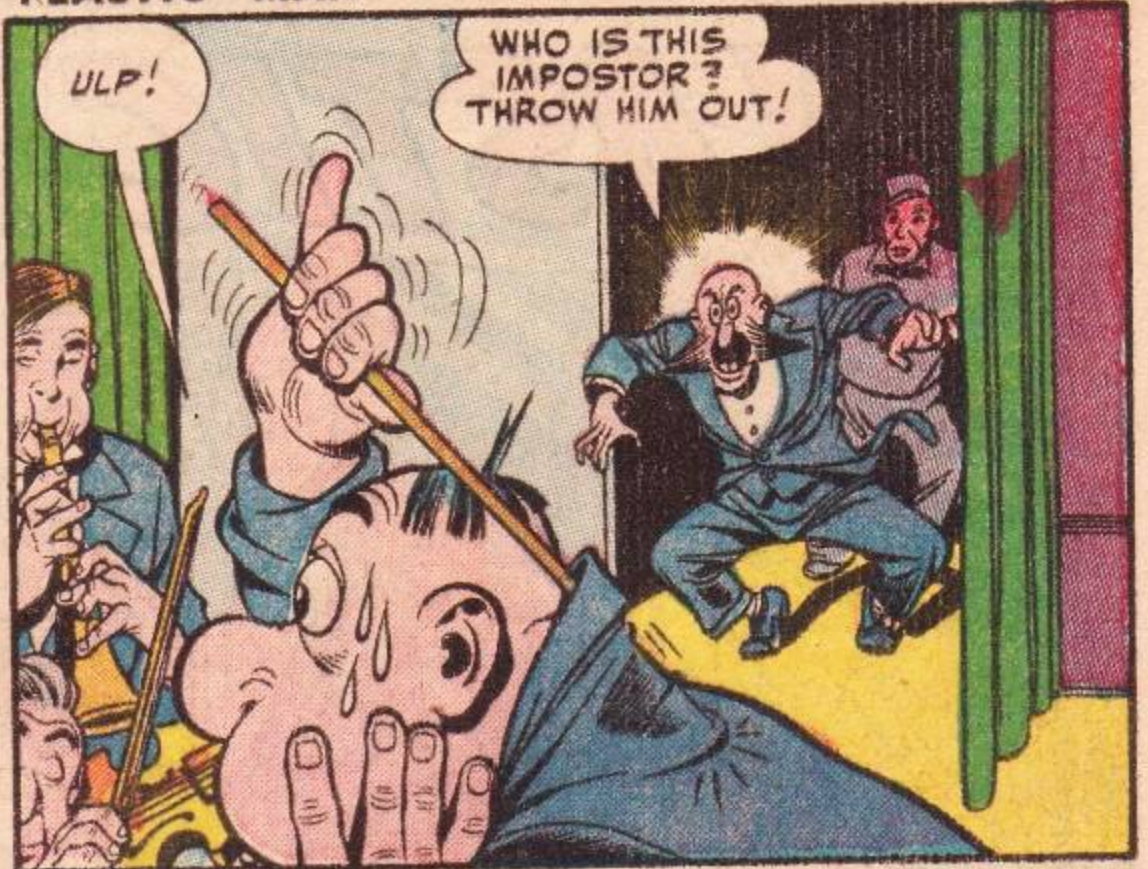
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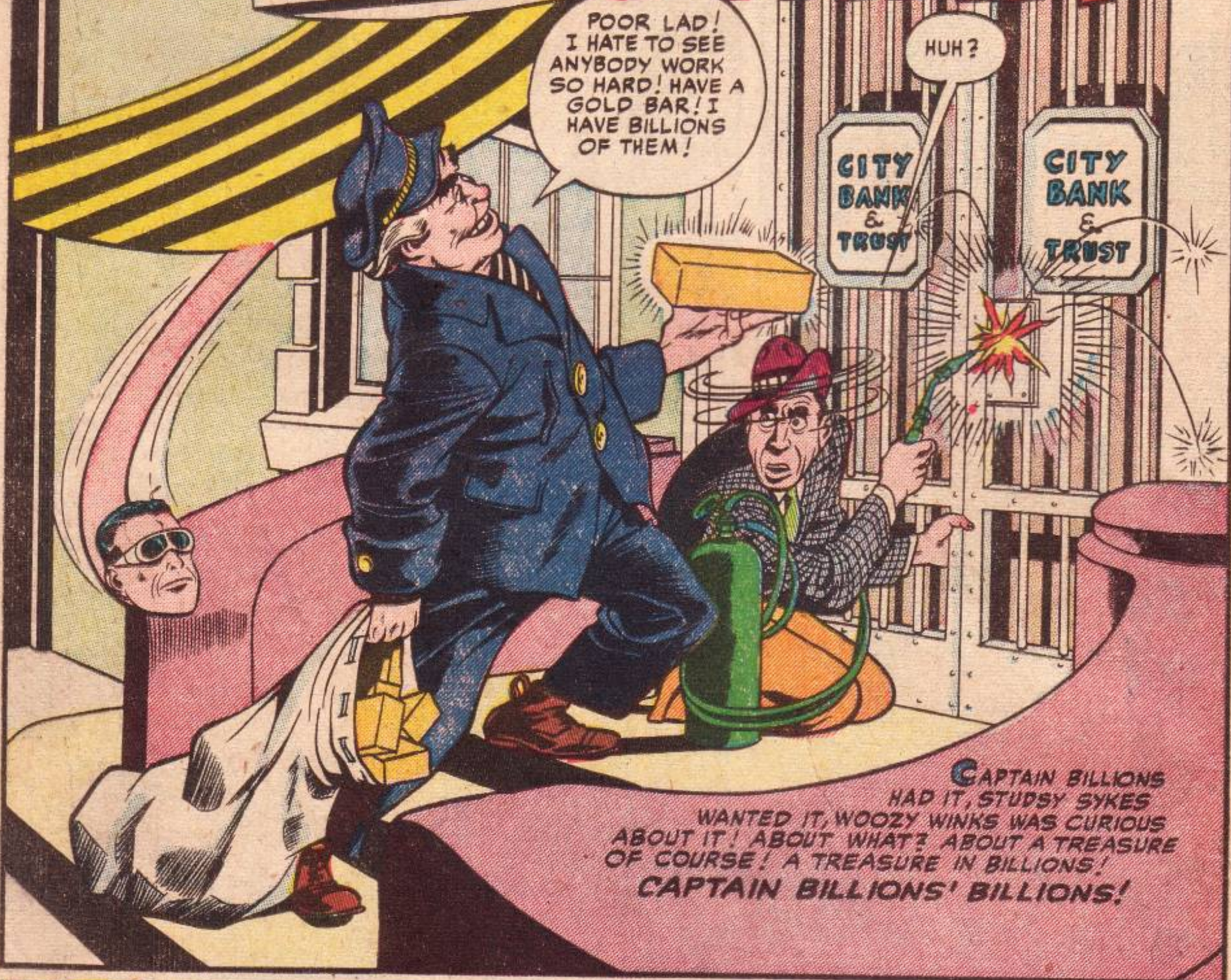
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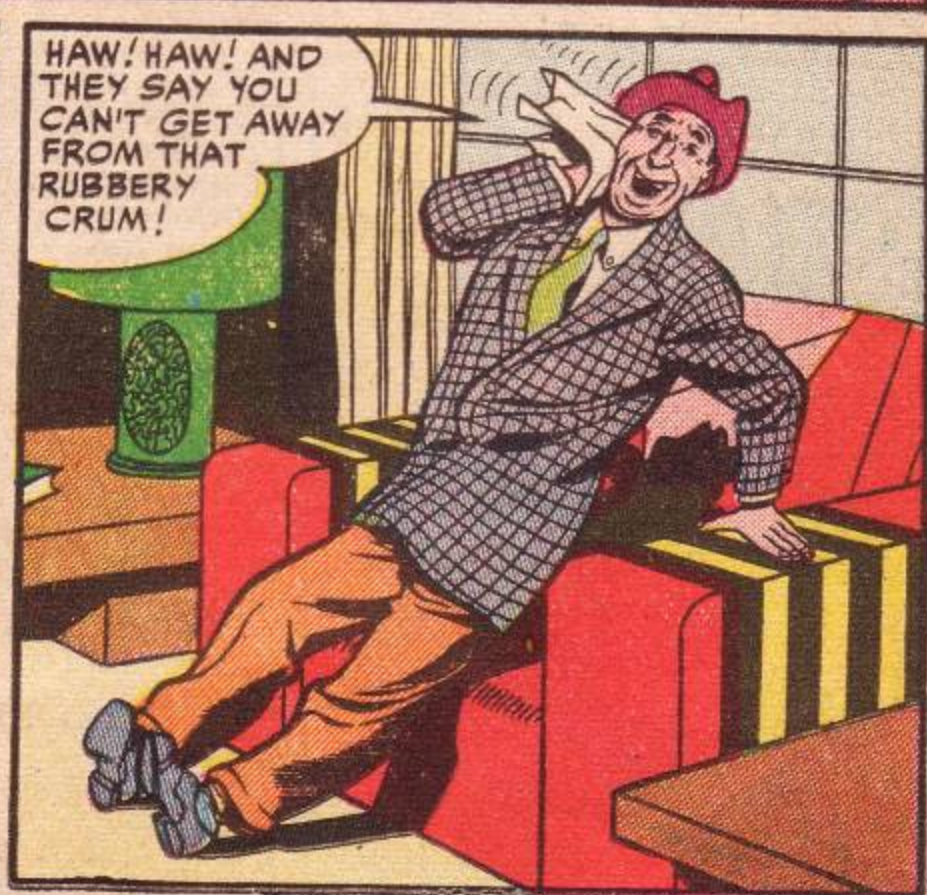
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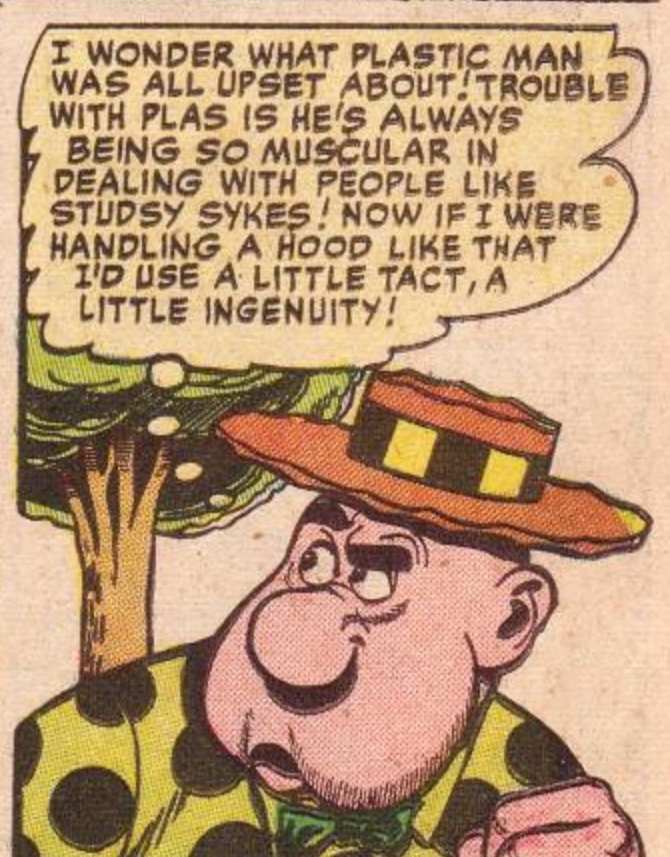
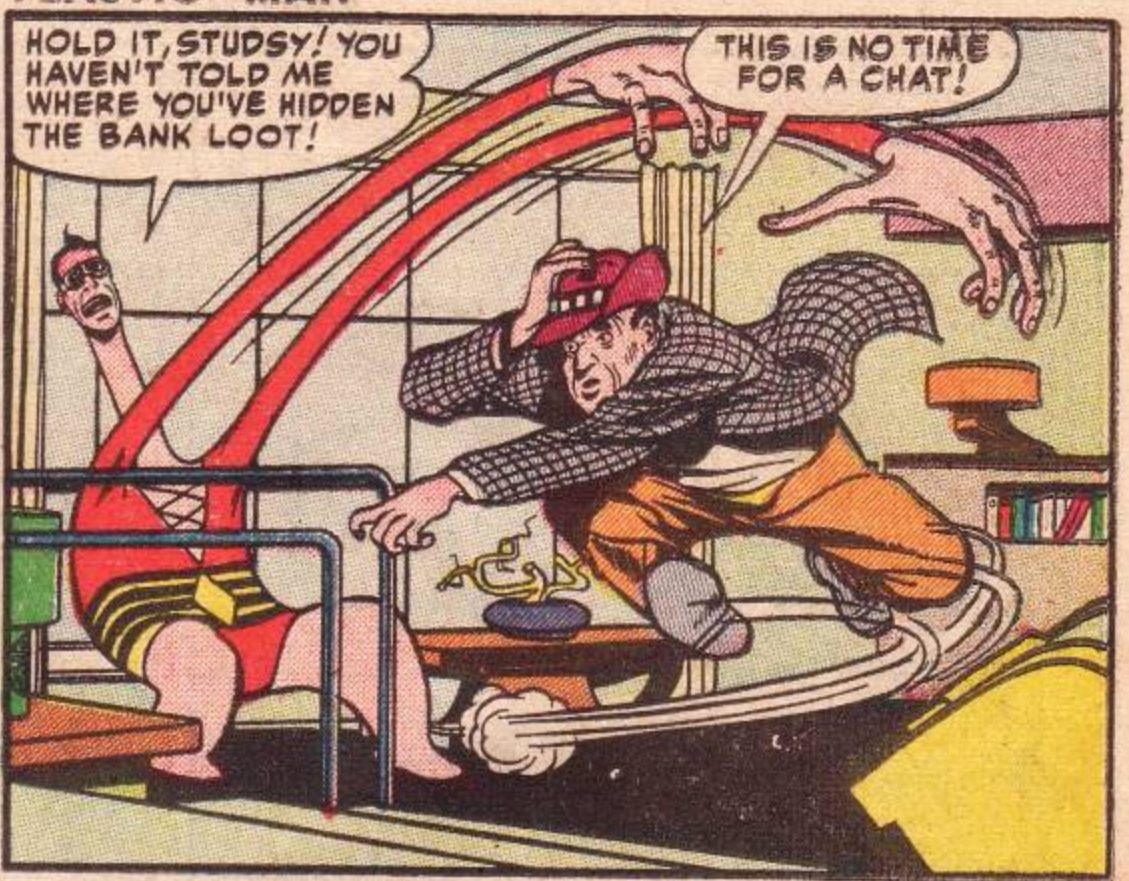
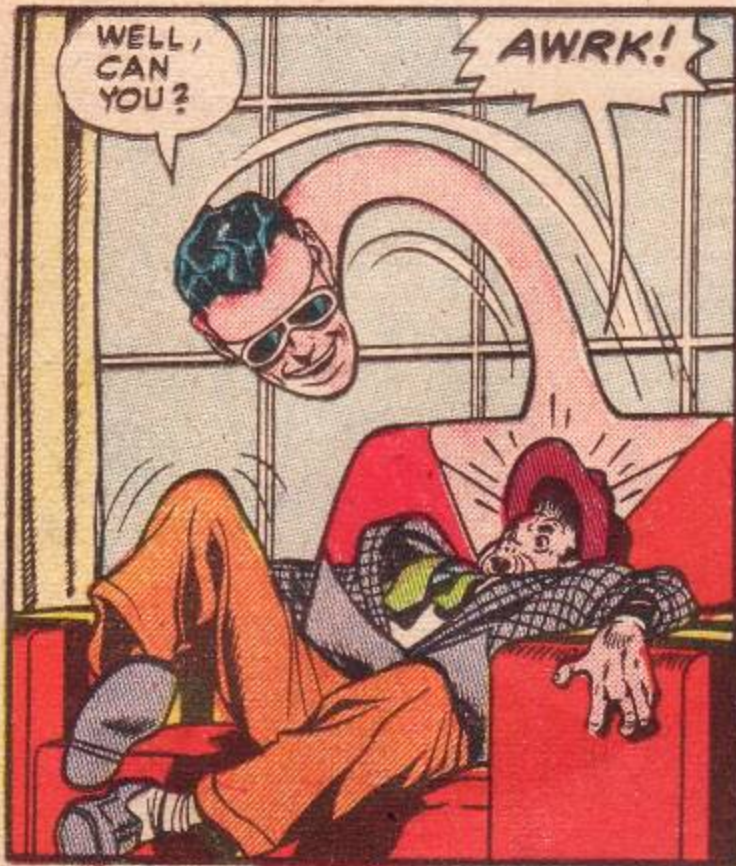
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CAPTAIN BILLIONS
HAD IT, STUDSY SYKES
WANTED IT, WOOLY WINKS WAS CURIOUS
ABOUT IT! ABOUT WHAT? ABOUT A TREASURE
OF COURSE! A TREASURE IN BILLIONS!
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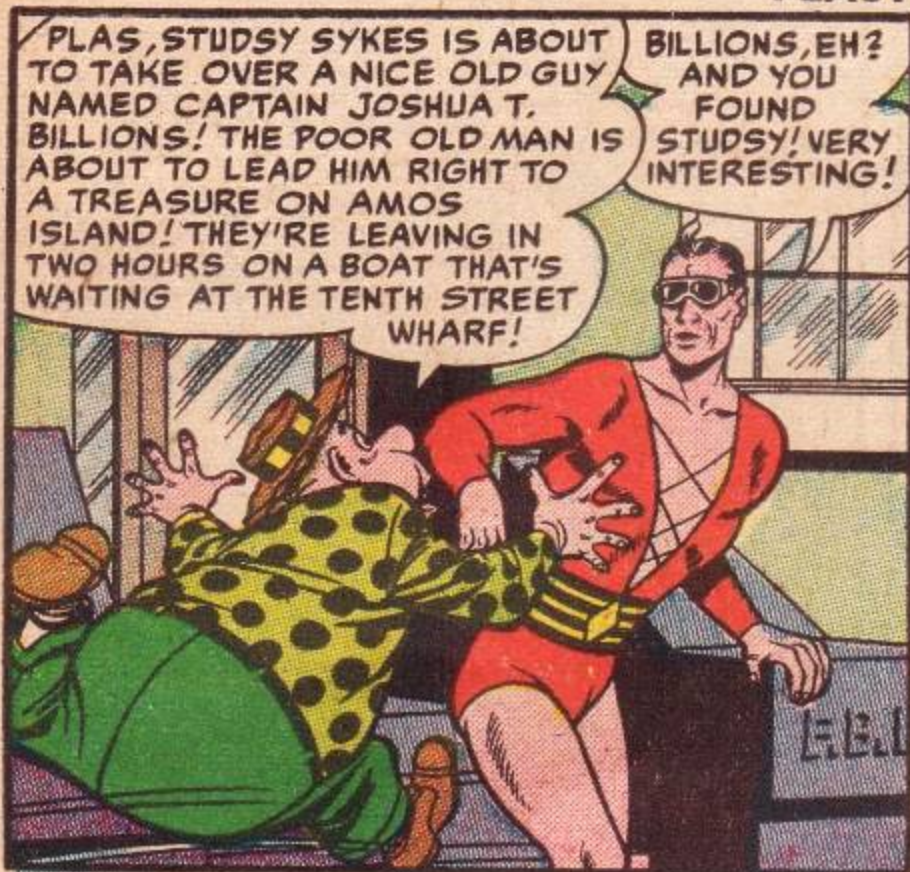
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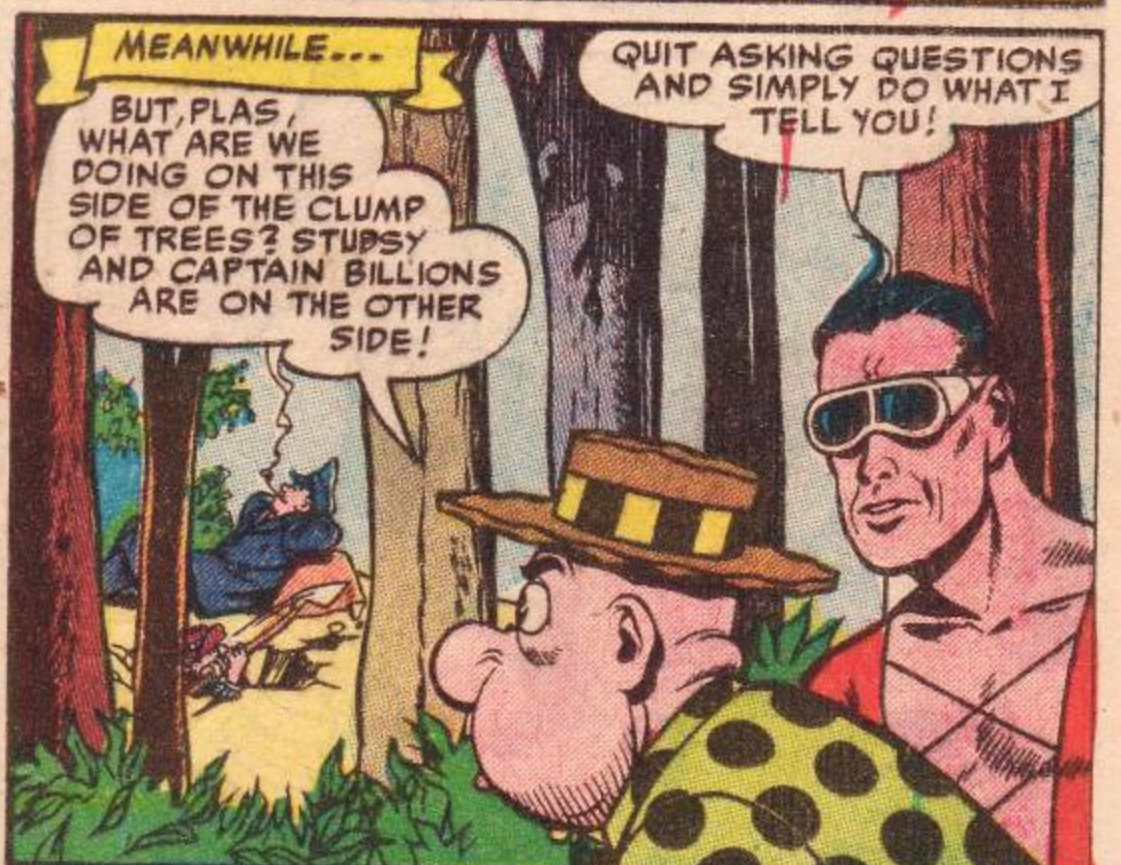
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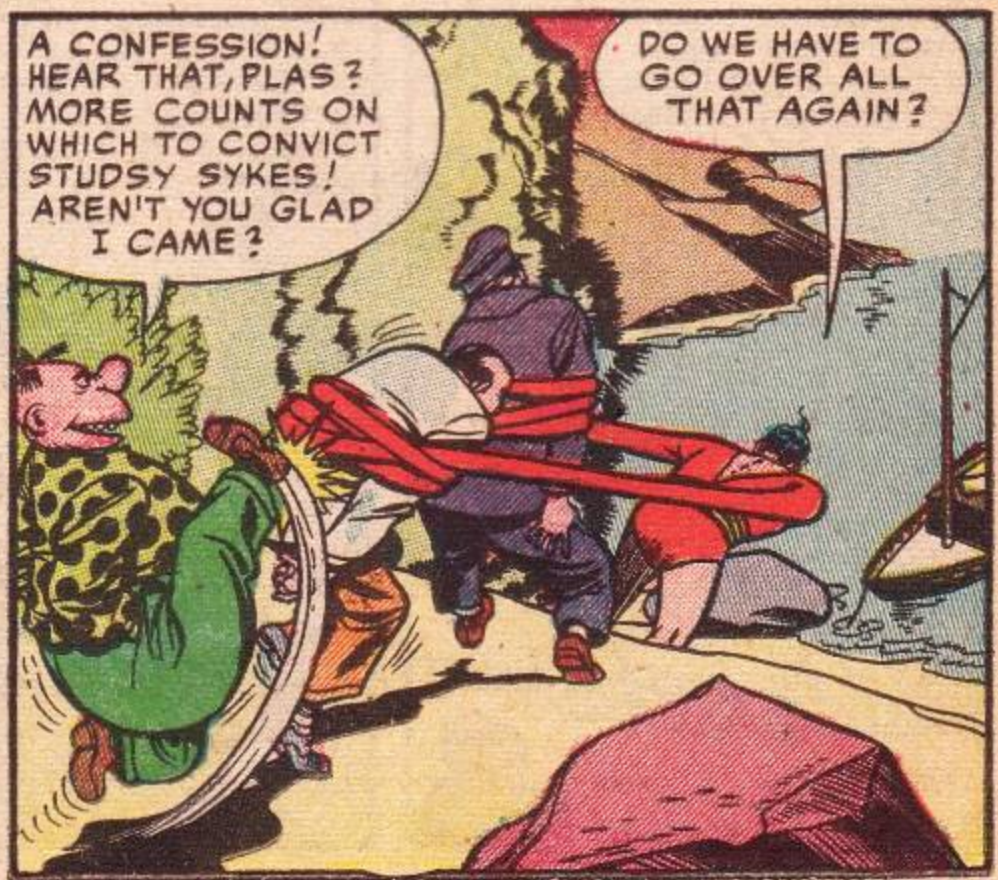
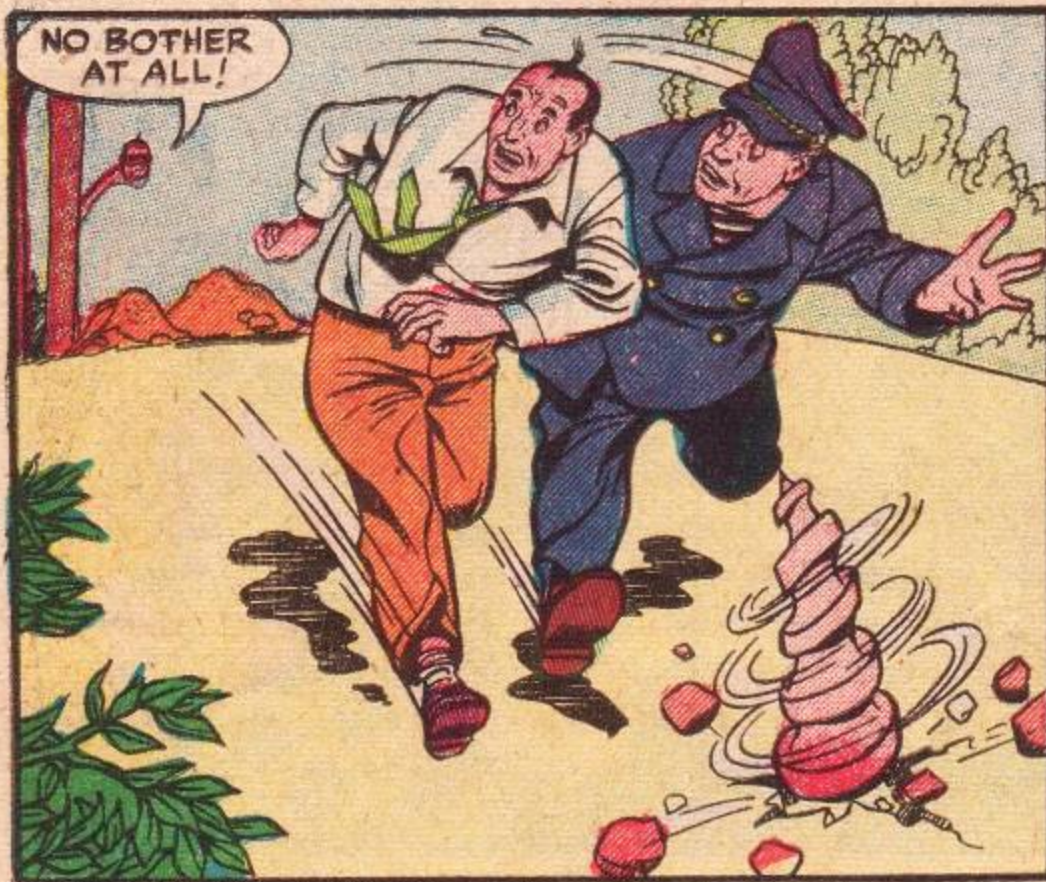
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Incident in a Storm

DOCTOR Fielding Martin answered his home phone shortly after dinner on a rainy evening. It was an emergency call from the hospital. "Doctor," the voice said, "we have a boy here, gunshot wound in the head. We need an expert surgeon at once. Can you help us?" Dr. Martin replied quickly, "Of course, but I'm way out here in this country town. Can't you get Doctor Ortley, he's right in the city." "Dr. Ortley is away, sir, you're the only one we can turn to," was the reply. Dr. Martin said, "I'll leave immediately, but remember it will take me some time to get there, especially in this weather. I doubt if I can make it before ten." "Thank you, doctor. We feel that the patient will last that long in spite of the seriousness of his condition."

The doctor got ready hurriedly and left shortly thereafter. The storm seemed worse and he strained his eyes to see the highway as he drove along. He snapped on the radio and listened with interest to a news reporter describe an attempted robbery by two men. One of them, a boy scarcely over eighteen had been shot by the night watchman and was now at Jordan Memorial Hospital, still unidentified and in a serious condition. The other thief was still at large. Then followed a weather report, predicting even heavier rains. This was interrupted by the excited voice of the news reporter once again, "It has just been learned that the wounded robber is John Harburg of Leestown and police suspect that his accomplice was his father, Edward Harburg, an ex-convict." Doctor Martin shook his head, "Why they're from my own town," he thought in amazement. The name, Harburg, wasn't familiar to him but the fact that he was rushing in to operate on a boy from his small town, struck him as being highly coincidental.

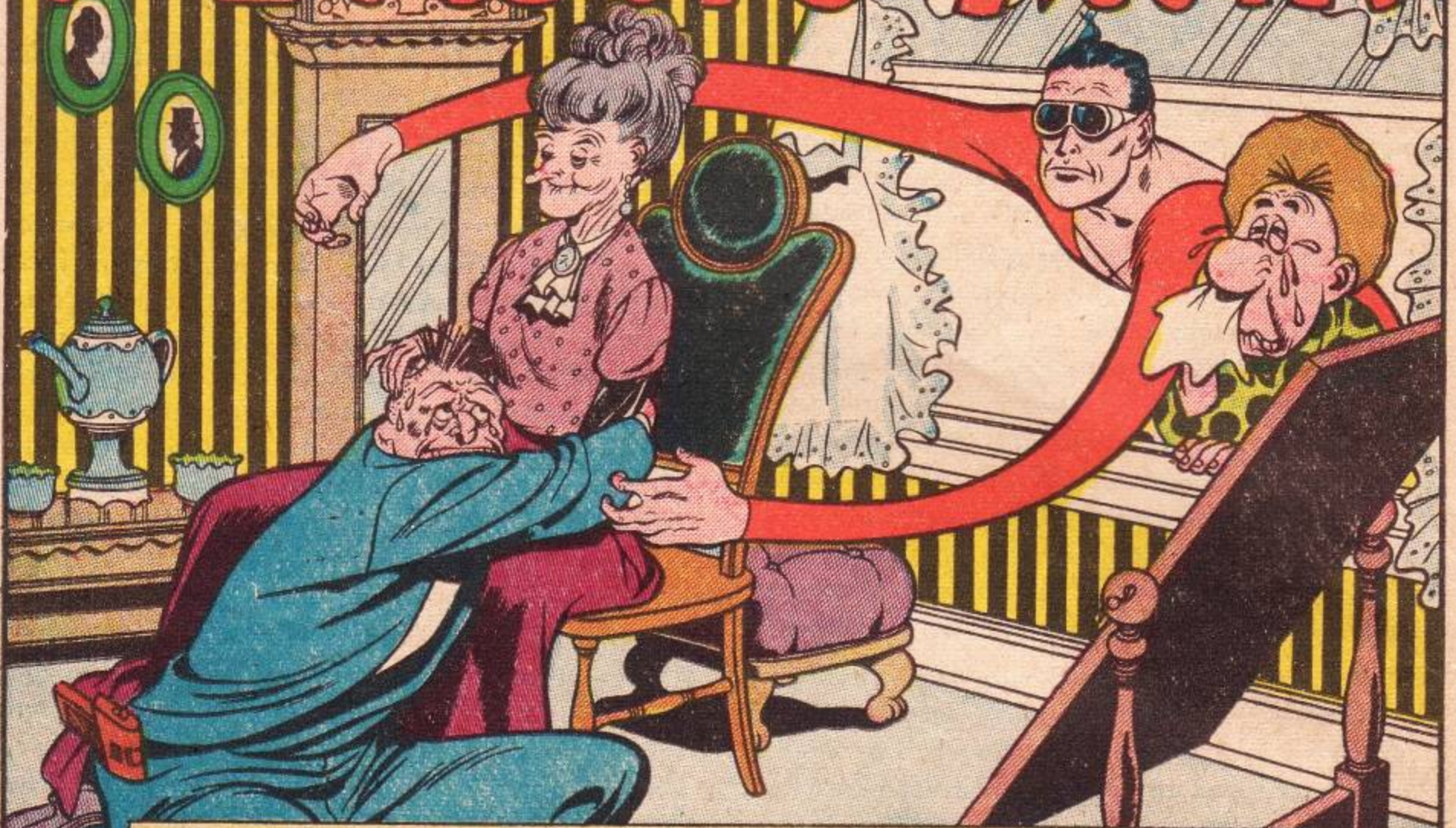
Halfway into the city, Dr. Martin stopped for a traffic light at a busy intersection. He saw a man in a brown leather jacket start across the street. Before he knew what was happening, the man was at the car door and then into the car, aiming a gun at the doctor. "Do as I tell you," growled the gunman, "and you won't get hurt." The doctor protested, "But this is an emergency, I'm a doctor and . . ." "You'll be the emergency,

doc, if you don't do as I say," threatened the man. "Now take a right turn, here, away from the city and go until I tell you to stop."

The man was obviously in a dangerous frame of mind and the doctor, being an older man, knew the thug was more than a match for him. He obeyed instructions, finding it impossible to put the wounded boy in the hospital out of his mind. He tried to speak several times, to tell his abductor why he must release him, but the man silenced him brusquely each time. Finally after driving quite a distance, the man grew impatient, he seemed to be wrestling with a problem. "Stop the car," he ordered, "I've made up my mind. I can get there faster by myself." He pushed the doctor out of the car. Doctor Martin pleaded with the man to drop him off near a phone. "So you can call the cops," jeered the man in the brown jacket, "not a chance, bud." And he roared off into the night. The doctor pulled his coat collar up and started to trudge back, recalling an all-night filling station they had passed some miles back. He was soaked and dishevelled by the time he got there. He explained what had happened hastily to the attendant and since there was no car available, he called a cab from the city to rush out and pick him up.

The time seemed interminable until the cab came into sight and then the ride back into the city seemed twice as long again. Finally, at midnight, the exhausted doctor walked in the door of the hospital. He was met by his young assistant, "I'm sorry to report, Dr. Martin, that the Harburg boy died an hour ago . . ." he began, looking in amazement at the doctor's soaking clothing. By this time they were abreast of the hospital waiting room. Dr. Martin caught sight of a uniformed policeman inside. He headed for the door. "Oh, yes," said his assistant, "the boy's father is here." He led Dr. Martin into the room. "Mr. Harburg," he began, addressing the hunched and sobbing form of a man seated on the bench, "This is Dr. Martin. He's the doctor who would have operated on your son." The man in the brown jacket raised his eyes to meet the doctor's.

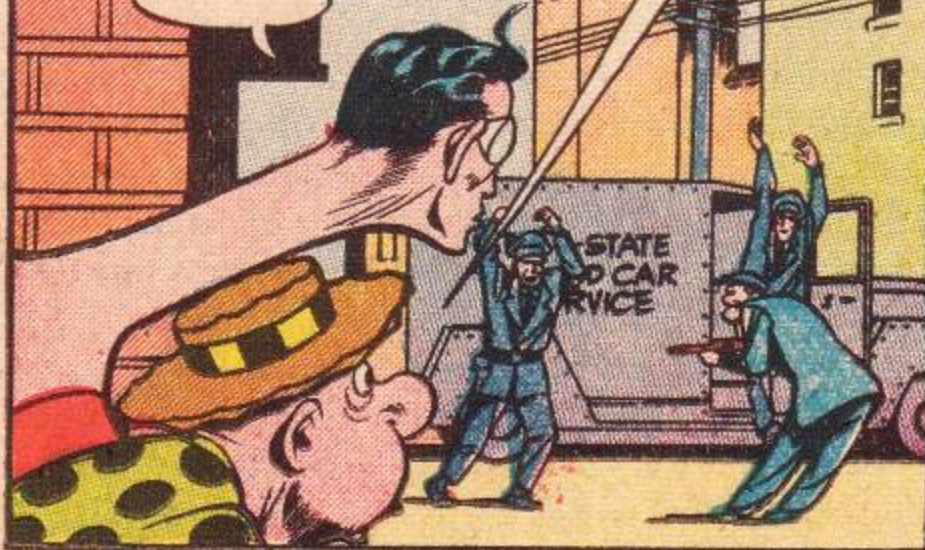
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HER NAME WAS **GRANDMA CROOKES** AND HEARTS MELTED AT THE SWEET SENTIMENTAL SIGHT OF HER! TENDER HEARTS, TOUGH HEARTS, WOOLY'S HEART AND PLASTIC MAN'S HEART--- ALL TURNED TO JELLY IN HER PRESENCE! WELL, WHAT'S WRONG WITH A LITTLE OLD-FASHIONED SENTIMENTALITY? NOTHING, MAYBE--- EXCEPT THAT IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE IT HAD **PLASTIC MAN** GOING AROUND IN CIRCLES WHILE THE MOST DARING CRIMINAL IN TOWN SEEMED TO BE GOING AROUND WHEREVER HE PLEASSED!

WHEW! I WOULDN'T EVEN EXPECT ROCKY CROOKES TO PULL A JOB LIKE THIS IN BROAD DAYLIGHT! BUT THERE HE IS DOING IT! LUCKY THE ARMORED CAR PEOPLE HAD A HUNCH I OUGHT TO TAG ALONG ON THIS TRIP!

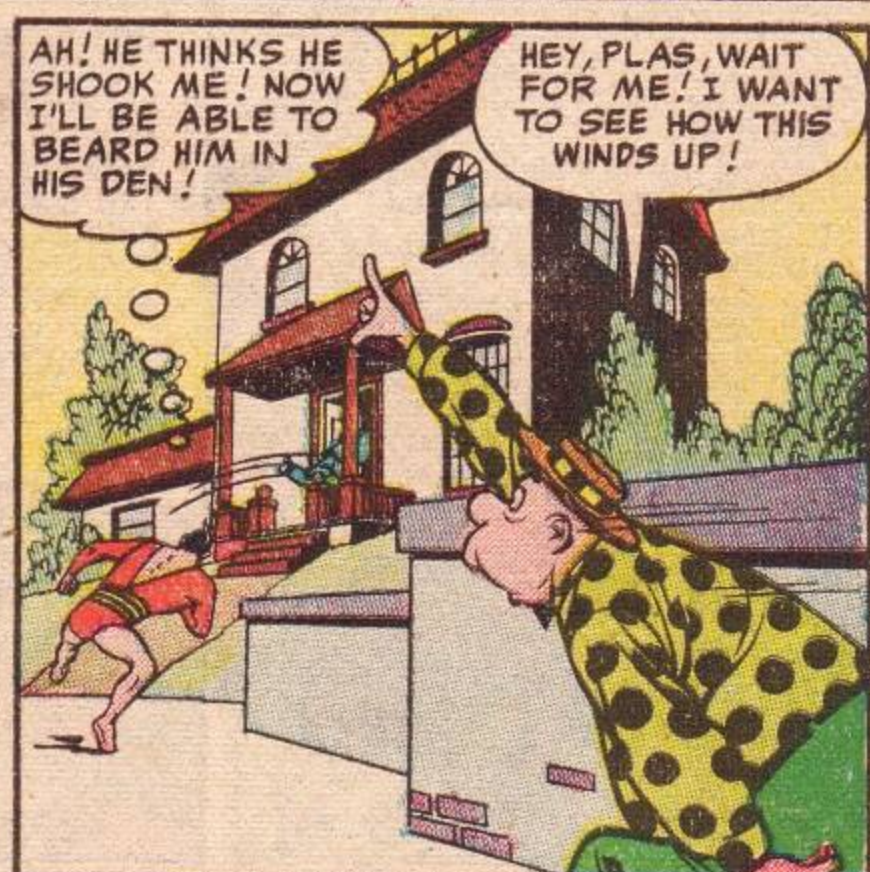
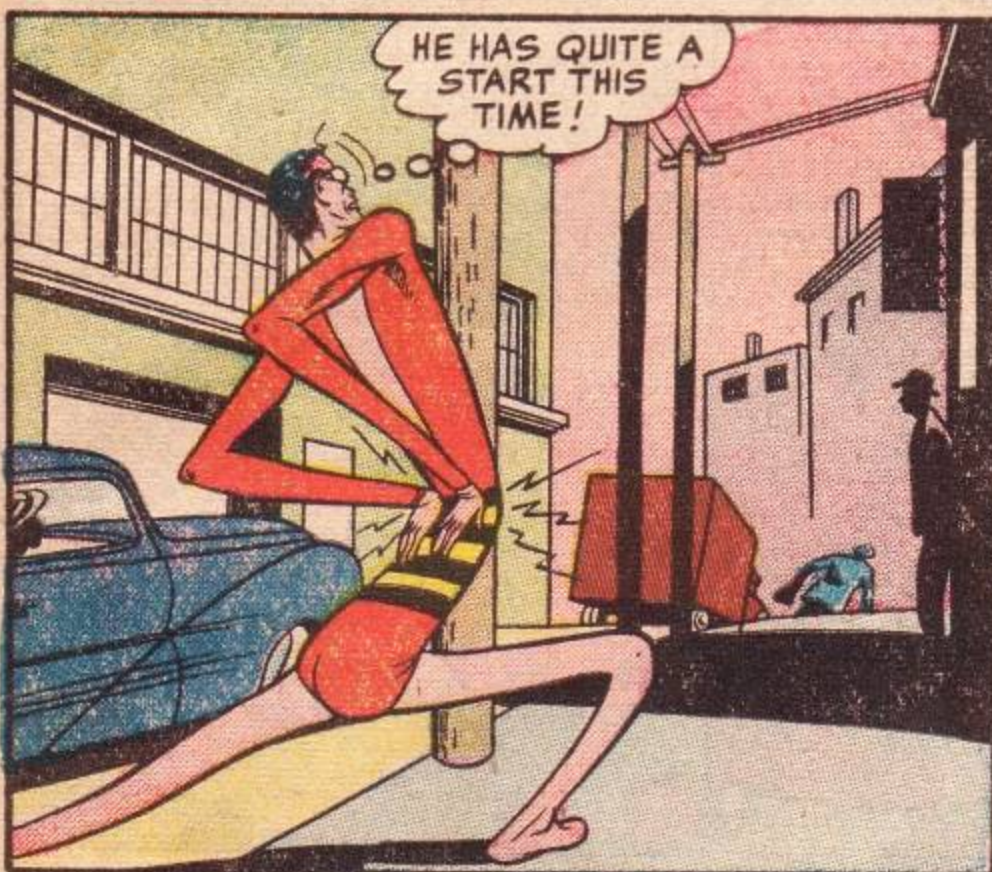
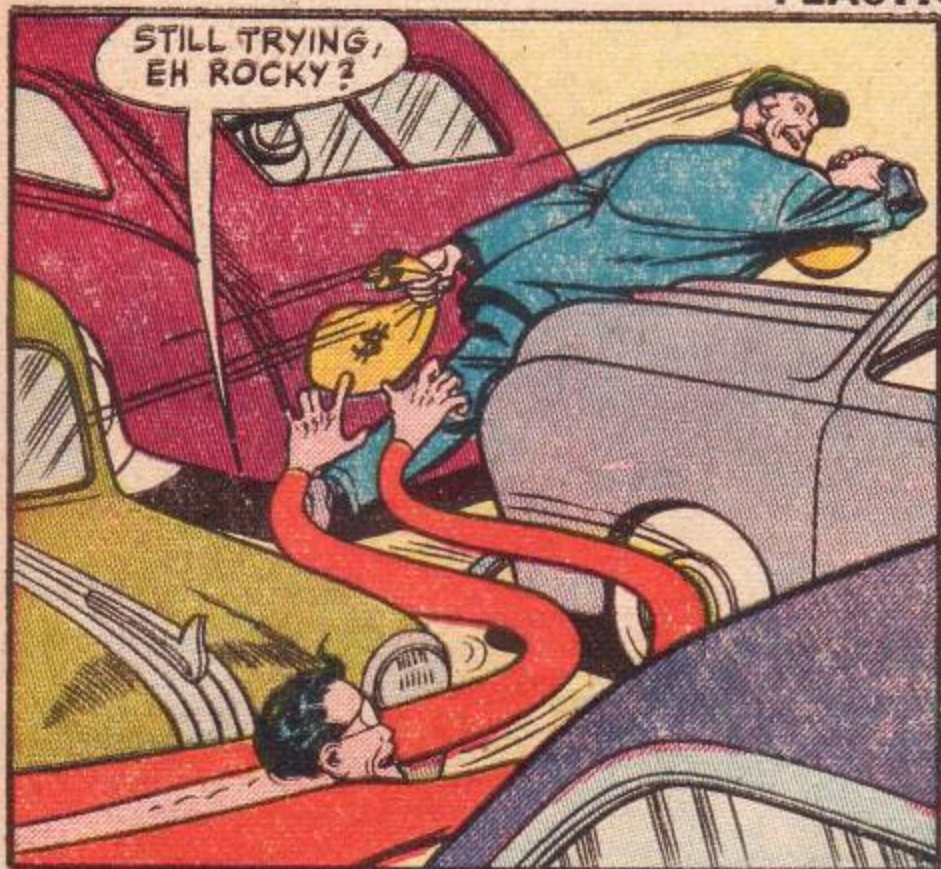
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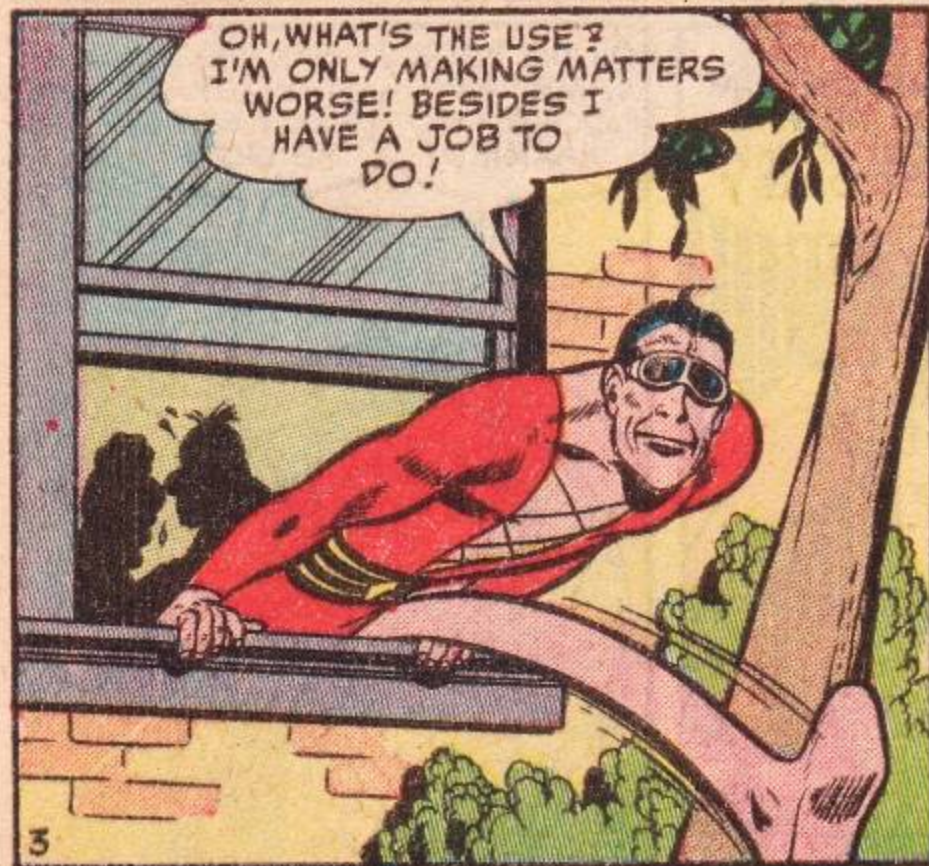
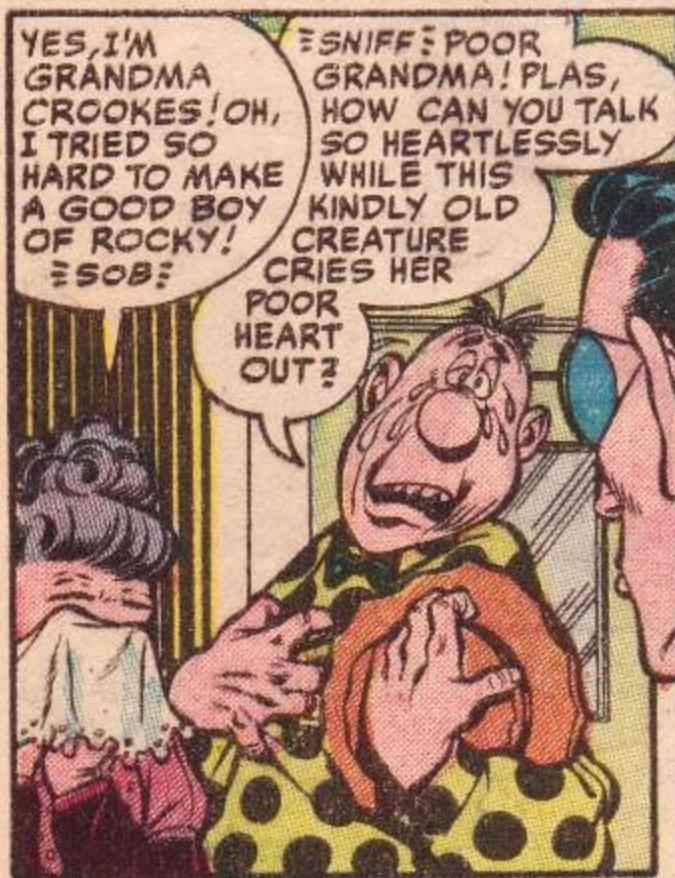
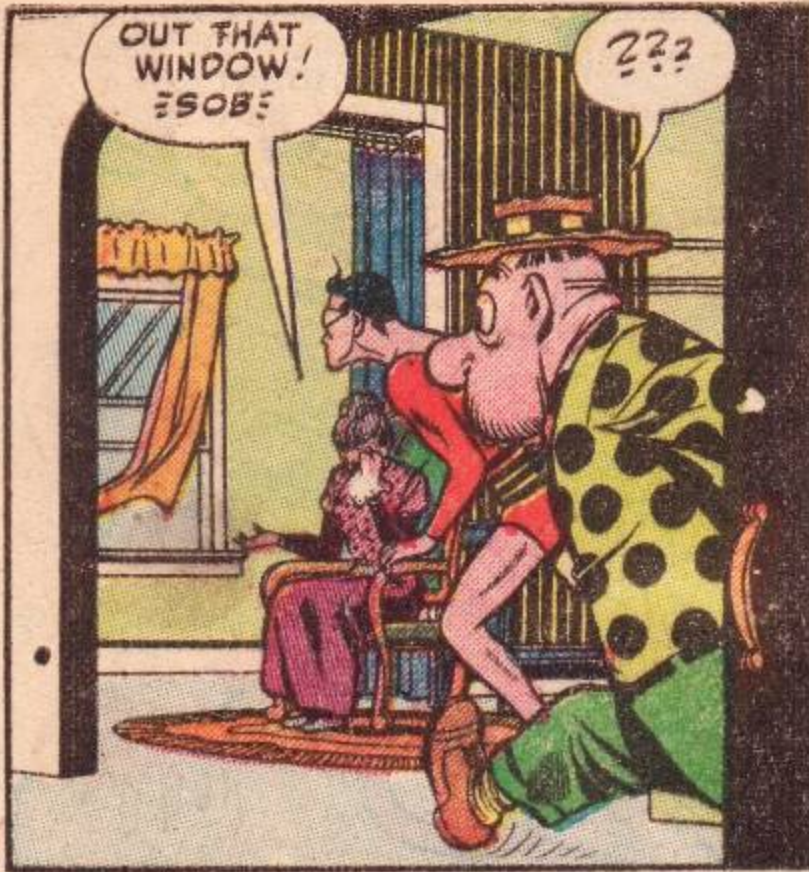
DON'T BOTHER TAKING THAT MONEY, ROCKY! YOU WON'T NEED IT WHERE YOU'RE GOING!



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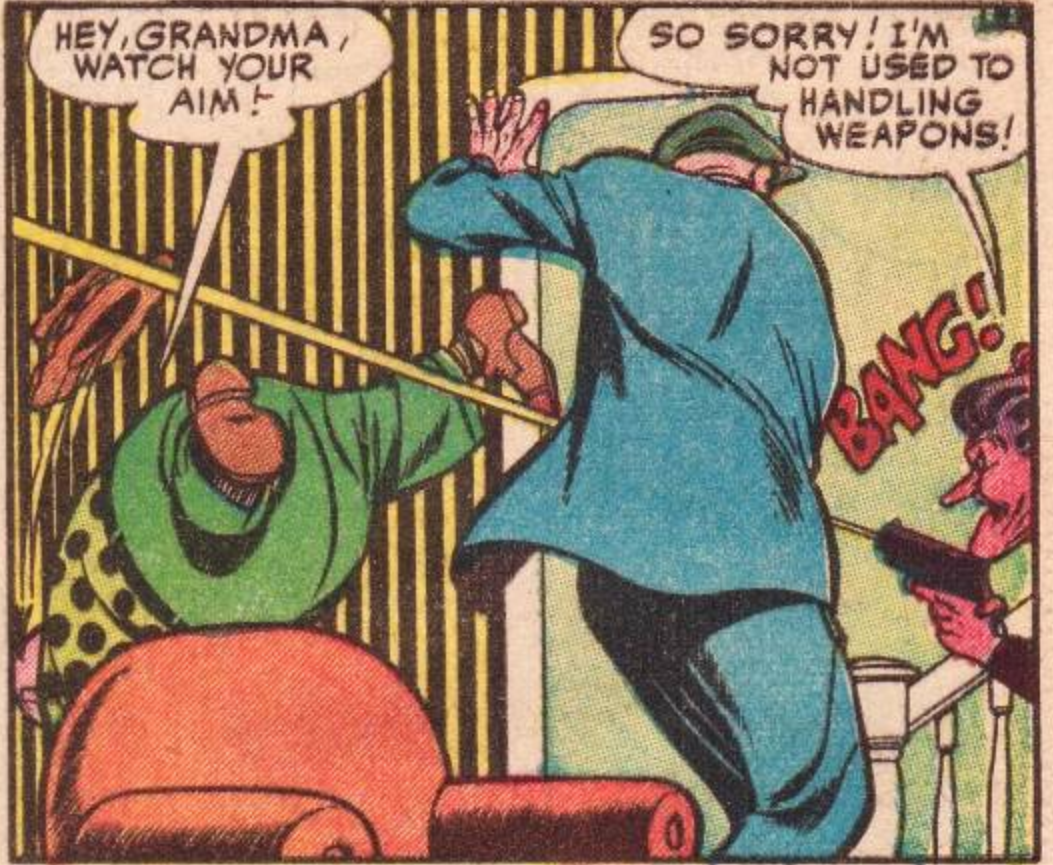
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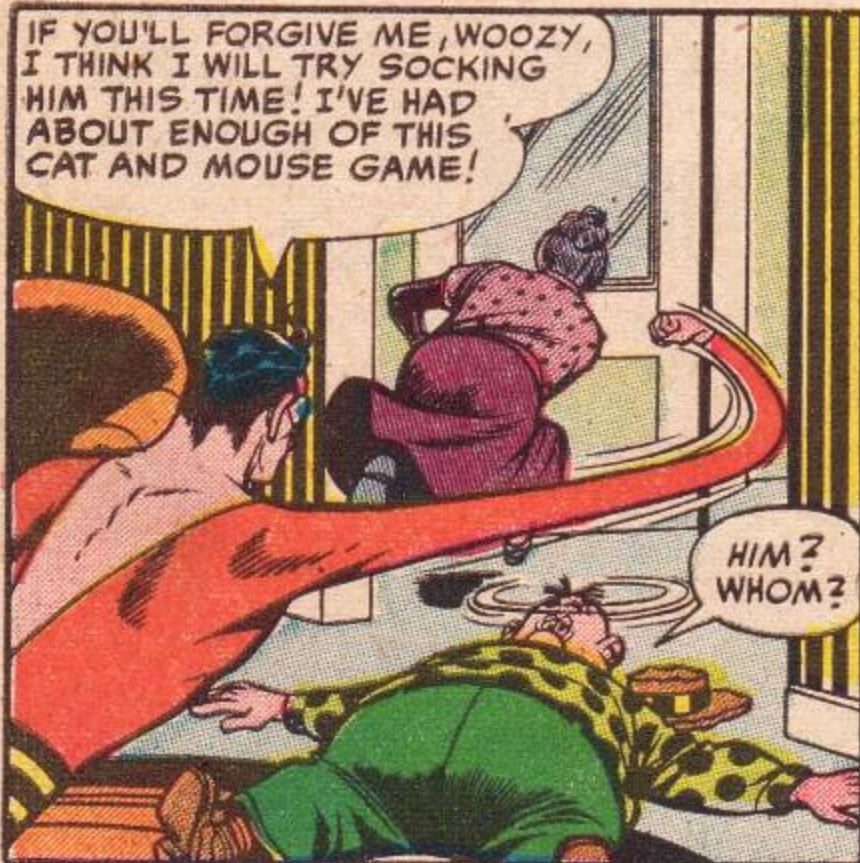
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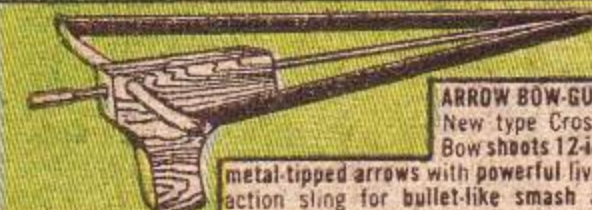
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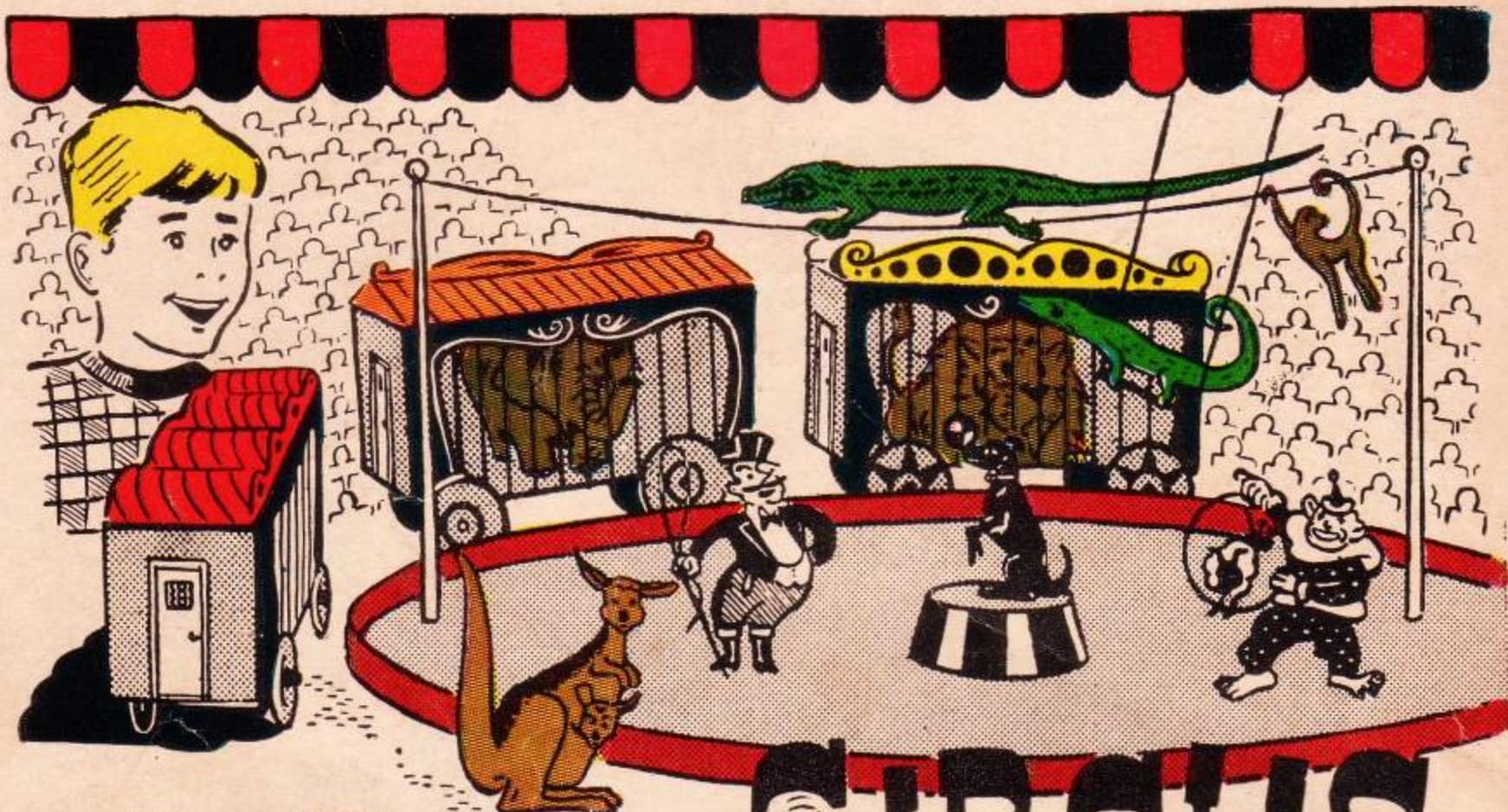
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